



Martha Louise Clemmer Gray

September 8, 1947 - December 22, 2025

Martha Gray passed away peacefully on December 22, 2025, at her home in Ripley, Mississippi, at the age of 78. She was born on September 8, 1947, to Johnny “Pete” Clemmer and Ruby E. Cox Clemmer.

Martha earned her Bachelor of Science degree and dedicated her professional life to serving others as an elementary school teacher, where she touched countless young lives with her patience, kindness, and love of learning. She was married to the late Wayne Gray, with whom she shared a devoted marriage.

Martha is preceded in death by her parents, Johnny “Pete” Clemmer and Ruby E. Cox Clemmer, and her two sisters, Mattie Jo Clemmer and Elizabeth Clemmer Ware.

Martha is survived by her brother Walter Clemmer of Marianna, AR, and her sisters, Dorothy R. Turner (Lee) of Ripley, MS, and Betty Price (James) of Ripley, MS.

Officiated by: Pastor Willie Payne

Pallbearers: Kedrick Storey, Keith Storey, Barry Foote, Bobby Joe Rogan, Sammy Lee Rutherford, Darrell Rogers

Cemetery Details

Saint John Missionary Baptist Church Cemetery

10160A Highway 370
Ripley, MS

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 2. 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

McBride Funeral Home, Inc.
206 N. Commerce St
Ripley, MS 38663
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Service

JAN 3. 1:00 PM (CT)

Ripley Second Baptist Church
709 N Adams Street
Ripley , MS

Tribute Wall



“ *Ms Martha Louise Clemmer Gray, (Tut)*
So happy to have spent time with her and her family as she impacted my life at a young age. I thought of her as a big sister, kind, caring fun to be around and always encouraging. I will cherish the memories. Rest well

Hildahaley - January 03 at 04:34 PM



Tafoya Clemmer - January 26 at 02:41 AM



“ *I never met Mrs. Martha, but I made her many batches of fudge for Christmas for my grandsons to take her. So sorry to hear of her passing. Bless her.*

Susan Jeanes

Susan Jeanes - December 29, 2025 at 03:33 PM



Tafoya Clemmer - January 26 at 02:41 AM



“ *Mary Fields lit a candle in memory of Martha Louise Clemmer Gray*



Mary Fields - December 26, 2025 at 12:15 AM

TC



Tafoya Clemmer - January 26 at 02:41 AM

JB

“ Ms. Gray was my 3rd grade teacher. She was a good teacher. I remember there was a coloring contest and our class won. We piled up in a van that belonged to her family and went to the skating ring. She was a stern teacher, but she knew how to have fun also. I'm going to miss her.

Jennifer Brazil - December 25, 2025 at 10:33 PM

TC



Tafoya Clemmer - January 26 at 02:42 AM



“ I didn't have her as a teacher, but as a teacher's kid, I remember being around Mrs. Gray. She would sing the gospel in her room and in the hallways before and after school. I always loved listening to that. ❤️

Mary-Elizabeth McDowell - December 24, 2025 at 09:54 AM

JL

“ Mrs. Martha Gary was my teacher was a great teacher and a great person I love you Mrs.Hray RIP till we meet again love you

Jeffery Lumpkin - December 23, 2025 at 03:11 PM

AR

“ Such an amazing woman, she touched the lives of so many. I will never forget her love for the children she taught and her unwavering commitment to ST Jude (the many many Mathathons she organized)

Rest easy now MS Martha 🕯️😔

Alice Robinson - December 23, 2025 at 01:13 PM

JS

“ Johnny Settlemires lit a candle in memory of Martha Louise Clemmer Gray



Johnny Settlemires - December 23, 2025 at 12:56 AM

JL

Ms Gray was my teacher she was a great teacher and I love her RIP
TILL WE MEET AGAIN

Jeffery Lumpkin - December 23, 2025 at 10:41 AM

CS

“ Christine Sanford lit a candle in memory of Martha Louise Clemmer Gray



Christine Sanford - December 22, 2025 at 08:28 PM