



Mrs. Gentle Lee Brannon

July 8, 1935 - August 30, 2014

Mrs. Gentle Lee Pettett Brannon, age 79 of the New Town Community, Calhoun, died Saturday, August 30, 2014 in a local health care center following several weeks of declining health.

Gentle Lee was born in Gordon County, GA on July 8, 1935, daughter of the late David Pettett and Bessie Mae Edmondson Pettett. She was a member of the 1953 graduating class of Red Bud School. In 1954 she married her childhood sweetheart, Max Brannon.

Gentle Lee and Max founded Max Brannon Funeral Home in 1967. She was an active member of New Town Baptist Church. Gentle Lee worked for several years with Georgia Textile Corporation, operated a successful florist, and was an instrumental part in her husband's business and political career. She traveled with Max extensively; they attended many gospel singings including more than twenty years at the National Quartet Convention. Gentle Lee loved helping Max with motor coach tours that they arranged for senior adults and the many tours that they took in the Great Smoky Mountains and Renfro Valley. In her later years, she and Max enjoyed being actively involved with the Oostanaula Community Club.

Survivors include her husband, Max Brannon to whom she was married for 60 years; three sons, Eddie Brannon and his wife Lynn, Brent Brannon, and Brian

Brannon all of Calhoun; five grandchildren, Heather Brannon Hamilton and her husband William, Matt Brannon, and Anna, Jenna, and McKenna Brannon, all of Calhoun; three great-grandchildren, Brooks and Libby Brannon and Carson Hamilton; a brother and sister-in-law, J.D. and Ann Pettett of Calhoun; two sisters-in-law, Ella Ivester of Chattanooga and Marcella Cochran of Calhoun; and a very dear friend and co-worker, Jo Dean Bryant of Calhoun. Several nieces and nephews and other relatives also survive

Funeral services for Mrs. Gentle Lee Brannon will be conducted Tuesday, September 2nd at 7:00 PM from New Town Baptist Church, with Rev. Walter Hare officiating. Burial will follow in Haven of Rest Memorial Park. Pallbearers serving include James Carver, Thomas Owens, Bud Owens, Coleman Balliew, Jeff "Whitey" Davis, Tony Nicholson, Ray Tucker, Jason Hawkins, Terry Goble and Russell Bryant. Music will be arranged by Charles Bradford, Coleman Balliew, Billy Weaver, Janice Ridley and Pat Bradford.

The Brannon family will receive friends Tuesday at New Town Baptist Church from 3:00 PM until the funeral hour of 7:00 PM.

In honoring Mrs. Brannon's request, flowers are to be omitted and contributions may be made in her memory to the Georgia Alzheimer's Association or Gideon's International. Services are under the care and direction of Max Brannon & Sons Funeral Home.

Cemetery Details

Haven of Rest Memorial Park

Hwy 156E
Calhoun, GA

Previous Events

Family will receive friends

SEP 2. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

New Town Baptist Church
897 New Town Church Rd.
Calhoun, GA 30701

Funeral Service

SEP 2. 7:00 PM (ET)

New Town Baptist Church
897 New Town Church Rd.
Calhoun, GA 30701

Tribute Wall



“ *Max Brannon and Sons Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs. Gentle Lee Brannon*



Max Brannon and Sons Funeral Home - September 02, 2014 at 09:42 AM

RM

“ *TO ALL OF YOU, SO SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS. GENTLE LEE SHE WAS A KIND PERSON TO THOSE SHE CAME IN CONTACT WITH. WE RALLY CAN FEEL FOR YOU BOYS, IN THAT WE BOTH HAVE LOST OUR MOMS. MAY GOD CONTINUE TO GIVE COMFORT AND PEACE TO ALL OF YOU. GOD BLESS YOU!*

ROY & RITA MCBRAYER - September 05, 2014 at 12:22 PM

DD

“ *David, Heidi, And Daniel lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Gentle Lee Brannon*



david, Heidi, and Daniel - September 03, 2014 at 11:32 AM

SL

“ GENTLE LEE WILL BE MISSED BY ALL. MY THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU AND YOUR FAMILY.

SANDRA LANGSTON

SANDRA LANGSTON - September 03, 2014 at 11:06 AM

KG

“ An angel on earth for 79 years, now an angel in heaven.

Ken Greeson - September 03, 2014 at 07:02 AM

TD

“ My love and prayers for all of you! Tina Duncan

tina duncan - September 03, 2014 at 01:44 AM

KC

“ Keith Cochran(City Of Calhoun) lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Gentle Lee Brannon



Keith Cochran(City of Calhoun) - September 02, 2014 at 03:31 PM

VS

“ Valerie Eaton Speight lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Gentle Lee Brannon



Valerie Eaton Speight - September 02, 2014 at 01:47 PM

OP

“ *Opal Mills Powers lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Gentle Lee Brannon*



Opal Mills Powers - September 02, 2014 at 12:59 PM

E(

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this difficult time!*



Elder Marc Moore & (Carol) - September 02, 2014 at 11:43 AM

EM

Elder Marc Moore

Elder Marc Moore - September 02, 2014 at 11:45 AM

NS

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this difficult time!*



Norma (Davis) Stone & Family

Norma (Davis) Stone - September 02, 2014 at 11:40 AM

PL

“ *Phil & Rachel (Waddell) Langston lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Gentle Lee Brannon*



Phil & Rachel (Waddell) Langston - September 02, 2014 at 10:22 AM

JW

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.*



Jackie and Wilmer Waddell - September 02, 2014 at 10:16 AM

RI

“ *Our prayers are with this very special family during this time.*

Richard - September 02, 2014 at 10:05 AM

DB

“ *My most heartfelt sympathy to all the family. I am sad at the loss of a childhood friend. But in know we will all be together again someday. Love to all. Doris (Clark) Burns*

doris burns - September 02, 2014 at 09:34 AM

BG

“ *Bob & Joyce Gregg lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Gentle Lee Brannon*



Bob & Joyce Gregg - September 02, 2014 at 09:19 AM

LG

“ *Lynn & Lamar Greene lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Gentle Lee Brannon*



Lynn & Lamar Greene - September 02, 2014 at 08:43 AM

JB

“ *Prayers are with all the family at this time. She and Max have been such a blessing to the community.*
Johnnie & Jimmy Bowers



Johnnie Bowers - September 02, 2014 at 08:40 AM

RB

“ *Max and family*
So sorry for you at this time, our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Ruth Eleanor Long Brendel & family

Ron Brendel - September 02, 2014 at 08:33 AM

GL

“ *Gail Logan lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Gentle Lee Brannon*



Gail Logan - September 02, 2014 at 06:20 AM

KD

“ *Karen MILLS Dubanoski lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Gentle Lee Brannon*



Karen MILLS Dubanoski - September 01, 2014 at 10:50 PM

RH

“ *Reba Holland lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Gentle Lee Brannon*



Reba Holland - September 01, 2014 at 09:04 PM

KH

“ *Eddie and Family, I am so sorry for your loss. May GOD comfort you with Peace and Love during the days ahead. Memories last Forever... <3*

kathy holland - September 01, 2014 at 08:06 PM

TG

“ You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers. So sorry for your loss.

Annie Lou and Tina Gunn
Rosa Ella Greeson

Tina Gunn - September 01, 2014 at 06:14 PM

CP

“ Prayers for your family . Will be praying and thinking of everyone in the days to come.
Sorry we can't be there to show our respects.

Jerry & Cindy Pass

cindy pass - September 01, 2014 at 06:09 PM

JH

“ Prayers for your entire family during this season of loss. May God be your strength, refuge, and solace in the days ahead.

Jason & Candi Hawkins - September 01, 2014 at 04:04 PM

MC

“ We are so sorry to hear about Gentle Lee. She was a very special person, and will be missed by all who were blessed to know her. We are out of town, but you are all in our thoughts and prayers. Sorry we can't be there to show our respects.

- Norris, Judy, Melissa and Michelle Hall

Michelle Clements - September 01, 2014 at 01:27 PM

DP

“ *The Brannon family has been a blessing to our Shope family over many years. Gentle Lee will be missed by all who knew her. May God give all of you comfort and peace in the days ahead.*

Deborah (Shope) and Douglas Parker

Deborah and Douglas Parker - September 01, 2014 at 01:09 PM

DJ

“ *Donnie Jones lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Gentle Lee Brannon*



Donnie Jones - September 01, 2014 at 12:47 PM

JW

“ *Janice Walraven lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Gentle Lee Brannon*



Janice Walraven - September 01, 2014 at 09:25 AM

JH

“ *Joe And Pat Hall lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Gentle Lee Brannon*



Joe and Pat hall - September 01, 2014 at 09:22 AM

DH

“ *Max, Eddie, Brian Brent and Family,
My sincere condolences to each of you in the loss of your beloved
wife and mother. Gentle Lee was a true LADY in every sense of the
word. My thoughts and prayers are with you .*

Doug Hite - September 01, 2014 at 08:48 AM

AM

“ *I am SO sorry to hear about the passing of
Mrs. Brannon. She was such a lovely kind
lady. My prayers are with your family.*



A.J. Manzano - September 01, 2014 at 08:47 AM

BR

“ *Billy Ray lit a candle in memory of Mrs.
Gentle Lee Brannon*



Billy Ray - September 01, 2014 at 08:19 AM

LC

“ My condolences go out to the family. I worked for a short time with Gentle Lee at Georgia Textile and my family has known the Brannon's for years. Gentle Lee was in fact a very gentle soul and a wonderful woman. When my father passed she was there for us lending a shoulder if needed or a hand to hold. May the family find peace with the fact that she no longer struggles with pain but is in the arms of God and all his angels. I am unable to attend the funeral because of illness myself but I wanted to send my thoughts and prayers to the family.

Lolita Bradley Conely - September 01, 2014 at 08:17 AM

PG

“ Eddie, Lynn and family,
We were so sorry to hear of Gentle Lees passing. Please accept our sincere sympathy. Your family is in our thoughts and Prayers!
Larry and Peggy Goss

Peggy Goss - September 01, 2014 at 07:25 AM

TR

“ I am so sorry for your losa, My prayers are with you.....Tina Rutledge



tina rutledge - September 01, 2014 at 01:27 AM

DJ

“ *Dennis Jones lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Gentle Lee Brannon*



dennis jones - August 31, 2014 at 11:26 PM

HF

“ *Hazel Fite lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Gentle Lee Brannon*



Hazel Fite - August 31, 2014 at 09:57 PM

CL

“ *I was so sorry to hear about Mrs.Brannon, Max , Eddie and your whole family have been such a blessing to my family on so many occasions. We love ya'll so much and will be much in prayer for you! May our heavenly father give you peace and comfort as you face this time in your own lives. All our love to you, Craig and Patsy Long*



Craig Long - August 31, 2014 at 09:51 PM

KC

“ *Kim Smith Carey lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Gentle Lee Brannon*



Kim Smith Carey - August 31, 2014 at 09:47 PM

RP

“ Roy Payne sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Gentle Lee Brannon



Roy Payne - August 31, 2014 at 09:45 PM

RP

“ Roy Payne lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Gentle Lee Brannon



Roy Payne - August 31, 2014 at 09:44 PM

HB

“ Howard & Brenda Brock lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Gentle Lee Brannon



Howard & Brenda Brock - August 31, 2014 at 09:36 PM

HO

Gentle Lee was always so kind to people....she was a strong woman to be greatly admired...Prayers for Max and all the Brannon Family....

Howard - August 31, 2014 at 09:38 PM

AB

“ So sorry for your loss she was a great woman
praying for family



alicia brown - August 31, 2014 at 09:35 PM

CD

“ In memory of Mrs Brannon from Chris and
DeeDee Dyer. Our prayers are with the
Brannon family.



Chris Dyer - August 31, 2014 at 09:28 PM



“ I am so sorry for your loss! Our thoughts and
prayers are with you. Henry and Jan Conner



Jan Conner - August 31, 2014 at 09:23 PM

MC

“ Mike And Carrie Christmas lit a candle in
memory of Mrs. Gentle Lee Brannon



Mike and Carrie Christmas - August 31, 2014 at 07:19 PM

MC

For many years we have used Brannon's Florist for our flower needs. Mrs Brannon had always been so helpful and just as sweet, wether it was during a time we where grieving for a loss or a time we where there to purchase flowers to celebrate. Every year Mike would go by and pick out flowers for me - Valentines, Anniversary and Birthday and every time they where delivered, they where perfect. The Brannon Family has given our family great support thru the hard times of our lives because of our personal losses and now we extend that support to all the family. We will greatly miss her warm inviting smiling face and do hope and pray the family has the comfort to know Mrs Brannon will be smiling upon them and know one day you will meet again. May GOD bless you all. With our deepest sympathy of your loss..... Mike and Carrie Johnson Christmas

Mike Carrie Johnson Christmas - August 31, 2014 at 07:33 PM

DB

“ Donna Baker lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Gentle Lee Brannon



Donna Baker - August 31, 2014 at 05:58 PM

GA

“ I know that words are simply inadequate at this time just know that all of you that called Gentle Lee mom are in our prayers. May the God of peace give Max and and you boys extra peace and His presence today and the days ahead.

Gary - August 31, 2014 at 05:08 PM

KP

“ We are so sorry for your loss, heaven gained another angel to watch over us. Your family is in our prayers.

Karen Cochran Poole and Hazel Cochran

Karen Cochran Poole - August 31, 2014 at 04:58 PM



RC

“ Rhonda Daniel Cooper lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Gentle Lee Brannon

Rhonda Daniel Cooper - August 31, 2014 at 04:27 PM



SG

“ Please know that you all have my sympathy, as I too, have lost a Spouse, Mother and Sister. I feel your pain and will keep you in my prayers. Susie

Susie Gray - August 31, 2014 at 04:21 PM



CR

“ Max, Eddie, Brent & Brian. We are so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts & prayers are with you all.

Charlotte Buttrum Royals & family.

Charlotte Buttrum Royals - August 31, 2014 at 04:10 PM