



## Judy Ann Goins

August 4, 1952 - July 19, 2020

Judy Ann Tapp Goins, 67 passed from this life peacefully at home on Sunday, July 19, 2020. She was born on August 4, 1952.

Judy had lived in Johnson City most of her life except for time she and husband Bobby lived in South Carolina and Florida.

Judy's health had been in decline in recent years, as she suffered from emphysema. Judy was primarily a homemaker but worked for several years at Johnson City Medical Center Hospital in food service.

Judy was preceded in death by her husband, Bobby Goins, the love of her life, her parents, Earl Andrew Bennett and Eula Kate Tapp; sisters, Ruth Britt, Peny Tapp and Linda Tapp. She is survived by daughters, Tammy McCall (husband Shane), Louwanna Pfab (Tony), sons Frank and Allen Goins; a brother Randy Tapp; sisters, Susan Hopson and Debbie McKinney; aunt, Jean Goins; Bobby's children and grandchildren, whom she loved very much; a special niece who was "like her own", Renae Morales; 2 special friends, Sherry Ledford and Sylvia Gregg. The family is grateful that she had these ladies' friendship after Bobby passed when she lived alone. It made a tremendous difference in her life.

Judy was of the Apostolic faith and in recent years her faith was restored and renewed. She expressed just a few days before her passing that she was eager to leave this world for the next, and was ready for His appointed time for her departure. Judy was very spunky. She loved coffee, poker and bingo.

Special thanks is extended to Amedisys Hospice and At Home Healthcare for the care provided during her illness.

The celebration of Judy's life will be held Saturday, July 25, 2020 at 4:00 P.M. in the East Chapel of Appalachian Funeral Home with Chaplin Steven Spell, officiating. The family will receive friends prior to the service from 2:00-4:00 P.M.

Due to the current COVID-19 regulations, our staff is committed to taking care of our guests and families we serve. Please understand we will be following the State's COVID

guidelines. We also ask all guests and family members attending visitations and services to please bring and wear a mask.

# Events

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**JUL**   **Visitation**                      02:00PM - 04:00PM

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Appalachian Funeral Home & Cremation Services  
800 E. Watauga Ave, Johnson City, TN, US, 37601

**JUL**   **Celebration of Life**    04:00PM

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# Comments

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“ A tribute video has been added.



**Appalachian Funeral Home** - July 23 at 02:39 PM

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She loved fiercely. She had protective instincts.

She never complained.

I was looking at the pictures and the one with the horse reminded me how she carried herself, almost regal. Chin up, tall and straight, with pep and flair. Just look at that natural pose looking so confident.

She had good energy and was fun to be around. She made it look like her life was always fulfilling and happy. There were struggles but she was an overcomer and always kept going in her own positive way. She was a doer, not a whiner.

Judy never birthed her own children, but she was not childless. She was a mother to many. She claimed my daughter and I remember the day I brought her home. Judy rushed through the door and ran to the bedroom and got her out of sleep and held her and cried tears of joy. She loved her always. She was always there for me if I needed her to babysit but it wasn't really babysitting to her. It meant the world to us.

Then there's Bobby's children and grandchildren. I want all of you to know she could not have loved you more. You became her world---near or far. It is devastating for us to not be here for her parting memorial and embrace each of you and grieve with you, as families need to do. I would never have imagined it or believed it. Our hearts are broken.

My last conversation with Judy leaves me comforted and I want to share some of it with you. She talked about Hospice care, home health care and how unusually good she felt that day, July 15th. She said, "They say you feel really good right before you go, maybe that's what's happening." She said she felt Bobby all the time and believed he was near and approaching the time with her. She said she couldn't wait to see him. The only unhappy thing she had to say was that she worried about Tammy because she's been so close and involved. She wanted her to be ok.

We talked almost an hour and she asked me if I would write her obituary because everyone wouldn't know her family. We planned to do it Saturday but neither of us called the other. She said she was ready to go when He would come for her and that she believed everything was alright.

And here we are. I will always remember the biggest thing about Judy---her heart. She might say it was her mouth, but we all know better! She was never the same without Bobby.

We loved Judy and will miss her. The comfort to take us through her passing is that her suffering has ended and sweet relief is hers. She embraced the journey that

some dread. Even then, she talked about who she was leaving behind and how much she loved you. She loved you fiercely.

Goodbye my sweet sister until we meet again. "The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord lift his countenance upon you---and give you peace."

**Betty Johnson** - July 29 at 11:33 PM

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