



## Loretta Nelson Gass

June 26, 1953 - April 24, 2023

Loretta Gass, 69, of Bryant, Alabama, passed away on Monday, April 24, 2023 at her home surrounded by her family.

Loretta was passionate about her career as a Registered Nurse for more than 20 years at Erlanger & Parkridge Healthcare. She was of the Baptist faith and loved teaching clogging at her studio in Trenton at Loretta Gass School of Dance for over 10 years. She was preceded in death by her father, R.L. Nelson, and son, Michael Gass.

Survivors include her loving husband of 50 plus years, John Gass, Jr.; mother, Ruth Nelson, Bryant, AL; children, Brad (Sarah) Gass of Bryant, AL, Brian (Whitney) Gass of Chattanooga, TN, and Tiffany (Dustin) Graham of Soddy Daisy, TN; grandchildren, Michael (Kaylee) Smith, Trace Gass, Matthew Gass, Emma Gass, Evie Gass, Alexis Graham, & Camden Graham; great-granddaughter, Kate Smith; brothers, James & Dennis (Evon) Nelson; sister, Denise (William) Lynn; she was also blessed with the most loving nieces & nephews.

Memorial contributions should be made in Loretta's memory to the Mary Ellen Locher Breast Center at Memorial Hospital, 605 Glenwood Dr., Chattanooga, TN 37404, or Sarah Cannon Cancer Center at Parkridge, 2333 McCallie Avenue, Chattanooga TN 37404. Online condolences may be shared at

[ryanfuneralhome.net](http://ryanfuneralhome.net).

Funeral services will be held on Friday, April 28th at 1:00 p.m. in the funeral home chapel with Pastor Robert Schrader officiating. Interment will follow in Floral Crest Cemetery.

The family will receive friends on Thursday, April 27th from 4:00 – 8:00 p.m. and Friday from 11:00 a.m. until the service hour at Ryan Funeral Home & Crematory, Trenton, GA.

# Cemetery Details

## Floral Crest Cemetery

County Road 89  
Bryant, AL

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 27. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Ryan Funeral Home and Crematory  
11415 S Main St  
PO Box 506  
Trenton, GA 30752  
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## Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Loretta Nelson Gass*

October 09, 2023 at 03:12 AM



“ *I have only met Loretta once in my life and we have stayed in touch through good and bad times. She was always gracious and loving and so empathetic- she was the example of love, grace and humility plus she had a great sense of humor and was very intuitive. Heaven is an even better place now. RIP dear woman - I so wanted you to visit in Costa Rica xx.*

**Erika Gerber Halter** - May 22, 2023 at 09:47 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Loretta Nelson Gass.*



April 27, 2023 at 04:59 PM



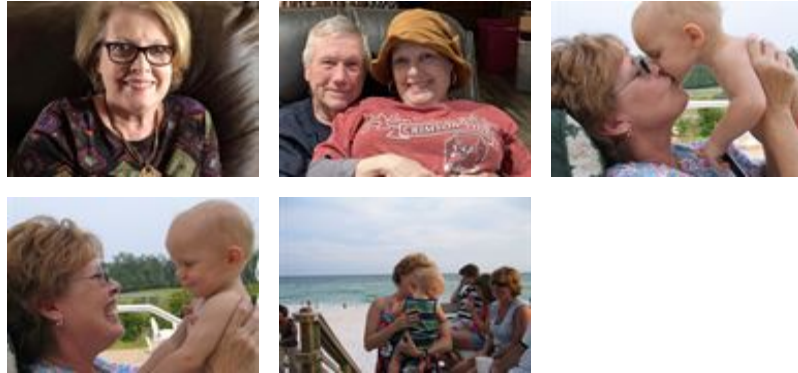
“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Loretta Nelson Gass.*



April 27, 2023 at 01:37 PM



“ 567 files added to the album LifeTributes



Ryan Funeral Home - April 27, 2023 at 10:54 AM



“ MSA, Inc. purchased the Sweet Solace Spray for the family of Loretta Nelson Gass.



MSA, Inc. - April 27, 2023 at 10:24 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Loretta Nelson Gass.



April 27, 2023 at 09:35 AM



“ *Heavenly Grace Spray was purchased for the family of Loretta Nelson Gass.*



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April 26, 2023 at 09:45 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Loretta Nelson Gass.*



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April 26, 2023 at 07:49 PM



“ *It was years ago that Sue Parks came to MICU from SICU and asked me if I wanted to join Loretta's group of gals and go to Gatlinburg for Halloween. Everyone dresses up and walks the streets of Gatlinburg on Halloween night. We stay a couple nights and just have fun. I told Sue " WOW, how nice of Loretta to want to ask me and YES, I am in!"...that day and all the days we YoYo's spent together changed my life...thanks to Loretta. If it wasn't for her I would have never met some of the nicest, most kind, considerate, respectful, and funny women ever. Loretta being at the top of the list. There aren't enough words to describe the woman Loretta was. I am so blessed to have known her and share with her some of the fondest memories of my life. She faced her cancer in the most positive ways...never complaining and never giving up hope. She is a true example of STRENGTH when the chips are down. I'll never ever forget her and I'll love her always.*

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**Maureen Ballard ( Moe )** - April 26, 2023 at 07:25 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Loretta Nelson Gass.



April 26, 2023 at 12:46 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Loretta Nelson Gass.



April 26, 2023 at 12:37 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Loretta Nelson Gass.



April 26, 2023 at 12:29 PM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Loretta Nelson Gass.



April 26, 2023 at 12:17 PM

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“ *Sherry Souza lit a candle in memory of Loretta Gass*



Sherry Souza - April 26, 2023 at 10:51 AM



“ *Lily and Rose Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Loretta Nelson Gass.*



April 26, 2023 at 10:42 AM

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“ *SQN I&C Shop purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Loretta Nelson Gass.*



SQN I&C Shop - April 26, 2023 at 10:24 AM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Loretta Nelson Gass.*



April 26, 2023 at 09:48 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Loretta Nelson Gass.*



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April 25, 2023 at 08:55 PM



“ *Lynette Trundle lit a candle in memory of Loretta Gass*



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**Lynette Trundle** - April 25, 2023 at 08:15 PM



“ *Loretta was such a bright light in this world, she was such a sweet friend. She will be missed.*

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**Lynette Trundle** - April 25, 2023 at 08:14 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Loretta Nelson Gass.*



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April 25, 2023 at 07:58 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Loretta Nelson Gass.*



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April 25, 2023 at 07:51 PM



“ *Your Light Shines was purchased for the family of Loretta Nelson Gass.*



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April 25, 2023 at 06:34 PM



“ *Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray was purchased for the family of Loretta Nelson Gass.*



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April 25, 2023 at 06:00 PM