



## Billie Noel Coats

December 25, 1929 - March 20, 2021

Billie Noel Coats was born December 25, 1929 in the Needmore Community of Starkville, MS. He was the youngest of eight children born to Young Coats, Sr. and Lucy Harris Coats. He peacefully departed this life on March 20, 2021 at 4:05 a.m. at Oktibbeha County Regional Medical Center.

He attended Oktibbeha County Training School where he played high school football and graduated in 1949. He was also a lifelong member of Second Baptist Church.

In 1949, he married Hazel Sudduth Coats, and to this union, four children were born, Alvin Noel, Alta Kate, Brenda Dwyllette, and Billie Anthony.

As a young man, he worked at Standard Oil Central Service Station. While working there, in 1959, he helped the firefighting effort at Old Main Dormitory on the campus of Mississippi State University, by working through the night to supply fuel for the fire trucks. In the mid-1960s, he was a football official for the Little Six Football Conference and was a founding member of the Oktibbeha County Training School-Henderson High School (Sam Skinner) Scholarship Fund. He retired as Supervisor from Weavexx (Lockport Felt) with over 30 years of service.

When not working, and in retirement, he enjoyed traveling to area lakes to fish with friends, listening to music, playing cards, woodworking, and tinkering with and repairing broken items. He continued to be an avid sports fan and was an enthusiastic fan of the Starkville High School Yellow Jackets and the Mississippi State Bulldogs. Mostly, he loved spending time with his

grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife of 67 years, Hazel, his son Noel, his daughter Brenda, and his siblings, Alta, Kate, Charles, Gladys, Young Jr, Mary Alice, and Henry.

He leaves to cherish his memory his daughter, Alta Kate Ware (Charles); his son, Billie Anthony Coats (Linda), all of Starkville, MS; seven grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren. He also leaves a host of nieces, nephews, other family members and friends.

Acknowledgements:

Thank you to all who have offered expressions of condolences to our family through prayer, cards, visits, calls, food, and flowers. Your expressions of love and concern has helped sustain us through this difficult time.

We pray God's blessings on you and your family.

# Cemetery Details

## Odd Fellows Cemetery

202 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive W  
Starkville, MS 39759

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 26. 1:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Hairston & Hairston Funeral Homes - Starkville  
112 Earnest H Jones Jr Dr  
Starkville, MS 39759  
(662) 323-5854

## Graveside Service

MAR 27. 11:00 AM (CT)

Odd Fellows Cemetery  
202 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive W  
Starkville, MS 39759

# Tribute Wall

LO

“ Lenetra Outlaw lit a candle in memory of Billie Noel Coats



Lenetra Outlaw - April 28, 2021 at 01:06 PM

EM

“ Elder Charles L. Mobley & Juanita Mobley sent a virtual gift in memory of Billie Noel Coats



Elder Charles L. Mobley & Juanita Mobley - March 31, 2021 at 12:55 PM

MH

“ Marilyn Monroe Clayton Horsley lit a candle in memory of Billie Noel Coats



Marilyn Monroe Clayton Horsley - March 27, 2021 at 09:35 PM

MH

“ Mr.Coats was the best Supervisor I had at Weavexx I want ever forget him! Family so sorry for your loss! ❤️🙏🙏🙏

Marilyn Monroe Clayton Horsley - March 27, 2021 at 09:33 PM

JJ

“ My first memory of uncle Billie was in the early 50's, I used to babysit his first son Noel, and his house had the first “inside” bathroom. He treated me like a son and I always held him in the highest regard. We will miss him,  
James Johnson

James Johnson - March 27, 2021 at 10:18 AM

JI

“ Jimmie Isaac lit a candle in memory of Billie Noel Coats



Jimmie isaac - March 27, 2021 at 09:58 AM

PJ

“ Patricia Ward Johnson lit a candle in memory of Billie Noel Coats



Patricia Ward Johnson - March 27, 2021 at 12:22 AM

CA

“ My condolences to the Coates family during your time of grief. God bless. 🙏🙏🙏



Cathy Austin - March 26, 2021 at 05:05 PM

PP

“ *Pamela Kennard Pleasant lit a candle in memory of Billie Noel Coats*



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**Pamela Kennard Pleasant** - March 26, 2021 at 03:57 PM

GR

“ *Glenda Roberts sent a virtual gift in memory of Billie Noel Coats*



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**Glenda Roberts** - March 26, 2021 at 12:24 PM

CH

“ *Cynthia Ann Bishop - Harris lit a candle in memory of Billie Noel Coats*

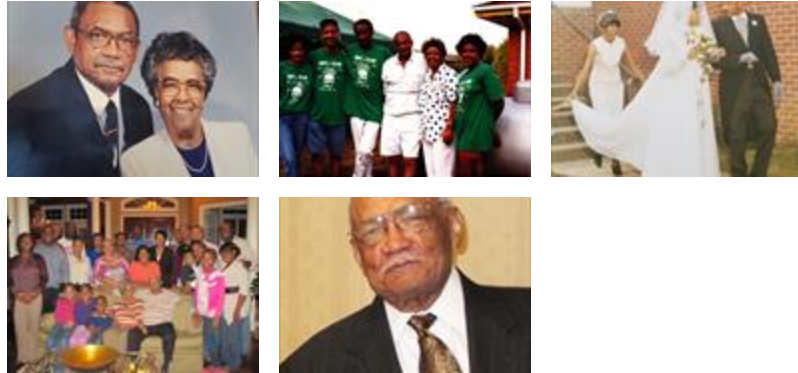


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**Cynthia Ann Bishop - Harris** - March 26, 2021 at 12:19 PM



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**Hairston & Hairston Funeral Homes** - March 25, 2021 at 03:03 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Billie Noel Coats.



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March 25, 2021 at 02:47 PM



“ Dorothy Lanier lit a candle in memory of Billie Noel Coats



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**Dorothy Lanier** - March 25, 2021 at 02:23 PM

AO

“ *Ann Taylor Outlaw lit a candle in memory of Billie Noel Coats*



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**Ann Taylor Outlaw** - March 25, 2021 at 11:59 AM

TF

“ *The Branch Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Billie Noel Coats.*



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**The Branch Family** - March 24, 2021 at 09:03 PM

JW

“ *Joann Rieves Walker lit a candle in memory of Billie Noel Coats*



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**Joann rieves walker** - March 24, 2021 at 11:42 AM

ES

“ *Edward & Anne Skinner sent a virtual gift in memory of Billie Noel Coats*



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**Edward & Anne Skinner** - March 24, 2021 at 01:59 AM

LE

“ *Lori Evans lit a candle in memory of Billie Noel Coats*



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**Lori Evans** - March 23, 2021 at 03:24 PM

LE

*Our sincerest Condolences from Victor, Lori and his classmate, Rosie Williams*

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**Lori Evans** - March 23, 2021 at 03:26 PM

CR

“ *Cynthia Robinson lit a candle in memory of Billie Noel Coats*



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**Cynthia Robinson** - March 23, 2021 at 02:36 PM