



## Mary Jean Applebury

November 27, 1930 - April 23, 2026

Mary Jean Applebury passed away on April 23, 2026, in Collierville, Tennessee, at the age of 95.

She was born on November 27, 1930, in Lexington, Tennessee, to the late A.J. and Mae Roberts Webb. She grew up in Wildersville, Tennessee, and graduated from Lexington High School.

In the early 1950s, Jean moved to Memphis, Tennessee, where she lived with her Aunt Etta and began working at Orgill Brothers. It was there that a coworker introduced her to William (“Bill”) Thomas Applebury. Jean and Bill were married on May 22, 1954, and were blessed with their first child, Susan, the following May. The young family made their home on White Station Road, then the Memphis city limits, and worshiped at White Station Church of Christ. Jean devoted herself as a homemaker and loving mother. In 1963, they welcomed their second child, David.

After her children were grown, Jean returned to the workforce, taking a position with the City Treasurer’s Office in downtown Memphis. She was known for her dedication, rarely taking breaks or vacation days, and took great pride in helping others. In 1999, she moved to Lakeland, Tennessee, and retired from the city in 2000. She remained in her home in Lakeland until her hospitalization in January of this year. Jean was richly blessed, and her

family feels equally blessed to have had her in their lives.

Mary Jean was a faithful member of Great Oaks Church of Christ in Bartlett, Tennessee. She was known as a hardworking and friendly person who loved staying active. She enjoyed gardening and shopping, but above all, she cherished time spent with her family. A true people person, she was loved by everyone who knew her and especially treasured her time with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

She is survived by her son, David Applebury (Jennifer); her daughter, Susan Westmoreland (Ronald); three grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; one cousin; and five nieces.

A Celebration of Life service will be held at Great Oaks Church of Christ in Bartlett, Tennessee, on May 8, 2026. Visitation will begin at 10:00 a.m., followed by the service at 11:00 a.m.

A graveside memorial service will be held at Hare Cemetery in Lexington, Tennessee. Details will be announced as they become available.

She will be deeply missed and lovingly remembered by her family and friends.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, Memorial & Honor Program, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

# Cemetery Details

## Hare Cemetery

Natchez Trace Road  
Lexington, TN

# Tribute Wall



“ *Sandra Maness lit a candle in memory of Mary Jean Applebury* ”



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**Sandra Maness** - April 24 at 05:13 PM