



## Lynda Jean Lightfoot

September 18, 1944 - December 5, 2019

Well if you are reading this Lynda Jean Gill Garrett Lightfoot has passed, croaked, kicked the bucket or left the building. I croaked from complications of surgery on December 5, 2019. I was a hoot! If I thought it, I said it. Good things only. If I liked you, you knew it and if I didn't – you knew that too! My greatest accomplishment was my grandchildren and my great-grandson. Grace Evans, Nathanael Evans, Isaac Evans and Catherine "Cat" Evans and great-grandson on the way. I loved those kids, and worshipped them.

I was a "redneck" woman. I grew up in small town Carthage, AR. I always said I graduated 9th in my class. It was only 9 in my class! Sounded good. I loved people, talking, yard sales, goodwill stores, also my Sunday school class, my church, Zion Baptist Church in Cooterneck, AR, also my pastor, he is so cute, Elvis and George Strait. I loved oldies music, country and southern gospel. I drove the "crap" out of my car. I know it knows I have fizzled. I loved the Southwest, especially New Mexico, Wyoming, the plains, and cornbread. I knew where every bathroom was in 25 states.

I am survived by my husband, Gerald Lightfoot, all of his wives died on him. My favorite son, Christian "Chris" Garrett of Camden; my favorite daughter, Amber Garrett of Sherwood; my precious grandkids listed above; my sister, a favorite too, Faith Herring and husband Glen of Camden; nephews, Brock Herring of Camden, Jade Herring and wife Cindy of Hot Springs; grand niece and nephew, Caleb and Aly Herring of Hot Springs; my daughter-in-love, Tarah and Randy Evans of El Dorado; lots of family and a few friends, I hope. My parents Edna and Jimmy Gill of Carthage; and my baby daddy Bill Garrett preceded me. As I visit with Jesus, I will say "hi."

"What a ride! See ya'll."

I forgot. I was born! September 18, 1944. I slept in a dresser drawer! See, no wonder I acted like I did!

The family will receive friends Saturday from 12:30 to 2:00 at Zion Baptist Church. Funeral services will be 2:00 p.m. Saturday at Zion Baptist Church with Rev. Nick Flowers officiating. Burial will follow at Tulip Cemetery. Arrangements are by Benton Funeral Home of Fordyce. To sign the online register visit [www.bentonfuneralhome.net](http://www.bentonfuneralhome.net).

# Cemetery

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## Tulip Cemetery

Carthage, AR,

# Events

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**DEC 7** **Visitation** 12:30PM - 02:00PM

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Zion Baptist Church - Fordyce  
989 Hwy 229, Fordyce, AR, US

**DEC 7** **Funeral Service** 02:00PM

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# Comments

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“ I loved Mrs. Lynda and she was really a "hoot" as the obituary says. This obituary fits her so well and it such a treasured tribute to her.

**Hannah** - May 03 at 02:08 PM

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“ Faith, want you to know I'm thinking about you and praying for you and your family at this difficult time. Lynda will be missed! Sincerely and with love, Ann Mathews

**Ann Hyman Mathews** - January 07, 2020 at 05:32 PM

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“ Amber , I'm so sorry to hear of your loss.  
Your mom was a hoot!  
I liked her a lot!  
My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.  
Dianne McManus

**Dianne McManus** - December 15, 2019 at 11:22 PM

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“ Lynda, has been my best friend since our girls where in Kindergarten(40 + yrs.) We have had a lots of fun going here and their. Will miss my friend.  
Sandra Watson



**Sandra Watson** - December 07, 2019 at 09:33 PM

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“ I didn't know this lady but self written obit was a joy to read and a tribute to our generation. She will be missed for sure!

**nancy** - December 07, 2019 at 05:03 PM

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“ Gerald, we are so sorry for you and the rest of the family for your great loss. I didn't know Lynda but my wife Betty knew her well and loved her. May God bless you and all of the family.

**Bruce & Betty Wilkes** - December 07, 2019 at 01:20 PM

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“ I loved Lynda! We shared so many stories, some sad, some happy. I'd comment on something pretty she was wearing; she'd comment " Goodwill ". She was such a special friend to me. When she wasn't in her chair in Sunday School class, I'd truly miss her. I'll see you later Lynda Lightfoot. Faye Robinson

**Faye Robinson** - December 06, 2019 at 10:15 PM

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“ Gerald, Amber, Chris and loved ones, I am so heartbroken and sad about our dear Lynda, but rejoicing in the knowledge that she is in her Heavenly home with her beloved Jesus. I loved her dearly and cherished her friendship over the years and will miss her laughter, her sense of humor, her straight forward look at life and the world around her. I pray Jesus will make his presence known to all of you, giving you peace and comfort when thoughts of her come to mind. My prayers and deepest sympathy are with you all, and may God bless and keep you ever near.

**Mildred Green** - December 06, 2019 at 09:11 PM

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“ Gerald, I know God has blessed you with two wonderful wives. I find comfort knowing I will see Clete and Bo in heaven one day. My prayers are with you and the family. Chris, and Amber. So sorry for your loss.

**Betty Martindale** - December 06, 2019 at 04:49 PM

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“ Gerald, I am so sorry for your loss. May GOD BLESS you with an abundant peace in your heart. I was hoping to come out and see you, but circumstance's has not let me. GOD BLESS YOU!!!

**Darlene Beene** - December 07, 2019 at 07:47 AM

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“ Sad and surprising news, brightened by reading her last words to the rest of us. That was her. My condolences to Chris and Amber and all of Lynda's family.

**Marlon Pierce** - December 06, 2019 at 04:27 PM

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“ Hearing of Linda's passing was certainly unexpected news and sad news. I have known Linda, Faith and her parents my entire life and after I was married, we lived across the street from her parents in Carthage. I knew Linda was a sweet, kind-hearted person. I knew she was funny, so I was not surprised by her obituary. I knew she loved her family more than anything, but I did not know how much she was loved by everyone who knew her. To me the greatest testament of her love for family was given by her x-daughter-in-law. Her story touched my heart and I hope when I am gone, my family and friends will have such wonderful stories to tell about me. My thoughts and prayers go out to her family. I pray that God comforts you and gives you strength in this very difficult time.

Sandra Morris

**Sandra Morris** - December 06, 2019 at 02:17 PM

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“ Gerald, I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

**Lou Barrett** - December 06, 2019 at 10:47 AM

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“ Gerald, so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts an prayers are with you and family during this sad time. Billy Ray & Shirley Doherty

**Billy Ray & Shirley Doherty** - December 06, 2019 at 09:17 AM

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“ I always enjoyed when Gerald and Lynda came in to get work done. Lynda would always crack me up! Praying for Gerald and the family

**Jason Floyd** - December 06, 2019 at 09:15 AM

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“ I'd like to extend my deepest condolences to Mrs. Lynda's family. She was certainly one of a kind! Church will never be the same without her Amens and claps. I sure thought a lot of her and enjoyed her stories so much.

**Andrea Jordan** - December 05, 2019 at 11:13 PM



“ Amber and Chris, hugs and love to you. I'm sorry for your loss.

**Tracey Adams** - December 06, 2019 at 09:20 AM

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“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lynda Jean Lightfoot.



December 05, 2019 at 11:12 PM

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“ I went to school at Carthsge with Lynda. She always called me Joyce Ann, always that middle name was added. Though we were a few years apart in age i have special memories of her. She was across the street neighbors with my Grandparents in Carthage. We had a lot of visiting times as well. Never a dull moment with Lynda. She will be missed! My deepest Sympathy to her family!

**Joyce Wallace Clift** - December 05, 2019 at 10:16 PM

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“ Lynda was the most precious lady! She was always so friendly to me and went out of her way to tell me how good lookin' my husband is...she'd tell me "and you ain't so bad yourself." Her attitude in life would lift anyone's spirit, I am honored to have known her. Prayers and deepest condolences for Lynda's family.

**Lesley Ford** - December 05, 2019 at 10:08 PM



“ Dearest Gerald,  
Glen and I were shocked to learn Linda had passed during or after surgery. We got the Church text that morning she was having surgery that day. We had appt in HS but we had y'all in our prayers. While in the waiting room, I thought about you both again and prayed again for you to have strength and that God would keep her in His loving arms. Well He did just that. Gerald, we continue to pray that God gives you comfort and a peace in her going to her new home. Certainly she will be missed. Lynda was a crazy mess. She could keep you in stitches and she did not hold back her feelings about anything. I lived in Carthage when I was about 4 and I remember her mother. Her mother was a mess too. Lynda was her mother's daughter. Lol  
Gerald we do regret your emptiness at this time of the year. We pray you will cherish all the good times and those memories will fill your heart with joy for many years. We will continue to keep you in prayer. You are a good man, you are a dear friend and we will always be here for you.  
Come see us and you and Glen do some fishing. We love you.  
Glen & Kay Dunn

**Glen & Kay Dunn** - December 06, 2019 at 11:06 PM

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“ Melba and John Neal purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Lynda Jean Lightfoot.



**Melba and John Neal** - December 05, 2019 at 09:27 PM



“ In my opinion Lynda was one of a kind. She was a very special person. She will be missed by everyone who knew her. I loved her like a sister. I will not say goodbye. I'll just say until we meet again. My thoughts and prayers are with the family at this time. Love all of you.

**Jeanette** - December 05, 2019 at 09:09 PM

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“ So sorry. Our sympathies

**Betty and Ronnie Phillips** - December 05, 2019 at 08:46 PM

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“ So sorry for your loss. Lynda just signed Daddy's (Carol Bevill) obituary book not long ago. she was all country . Hope she's having a good time in heaven.

**Linda Cathey** - December 05, 2019 at 07:57 PM

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“ My thoughts and prayers are with Mrs. Lynda's family and friends! RIP

**Emily Brown** - December 05, 2019 at 07:26 PM

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“ I LOVE TO READ AN OBIT, LIGHTHEARTED AS LYNDA WROTE HERE. HER FIRST HUSBAND BILL GARRETT WAS A QUIET, GENTLE AND SOFT SPOKEN FRIEND AND CLASSMATE ELEMENTARY THUR GRADUATION , FORDYCE HIGH 59 er..RIP.  
HER LAST HUSBAND GERALD LIGHTFOOT AND BROTHER BOBBY WHO GRADUATED WITH BILLY AND ME, HAVE BEEN FRIENDS SINCE THEY TRANSFERRED FROM THORNTON TO FHS. I KNEW THEIR PARENTS, ESPECIALLY THEIR MOM, THE BEST COOK, ALONG WITH MRS. DOREY, IN THE TRI COUNTY ARENA. SO, I SHARE IN LOSING MY WIFE OF FORTY-FIVE YEARS GERALD. PRAYERS FOR COMFORT, AS LYNDA WAS THE SPARK PLUG THAT MADE YOUR AND THE EXTENDED FAMILIES ENGINES RUN !

**Ron Harrison** - December 05, 2019 at 07:23 PM

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“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Lynda Jean Lightfoot.



December 05, 2019 at 07:00 PM

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“ prayers for the family!! she was one of a kind!! she will be missed

**Rachel Galbraith** - December 05, 2019 at 06:43 PM

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“ My Sweet Mom. Lynda....my best earthly friend. I love you. I know you were an Angel on a mission and have flown home to rest at Jesus feet. We shall shine for you till we all meet and dance again. I love You Mama. Your favorite son. Chris

**Christian Garrett** - December 05, 2019 at 06:31 PM



“ Love you Chris. My heart breaks for you. Please keep in touch

**Debbie Harrison** - December 05, 2019 at 06:45 PM



“ Chris, I am so sorry for your loss of your wonderful mama. Praying God's peace and comfort for you.

Julia (Moore) Stephens

**Julia Stephens** - December 05, 2019 at 08:26 PM



“ Chris, she was one of a kind, one of the good ones! I have no idea how she ever survived our teen years. She was a blast, always joking, talking and laughing. This obituary is her to a "T". Even though her venture to heaven breaks our hearts she would never want a tear shed. Words can not express how sorry I am to hear of her leaving the earth. I can hear her now, just a laughing, dancing at her best with God. My prayers are with all of ya'll. Donna Williams

**Donna Williams** - December 05, 2019 at 10:47 PM

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“ Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Lynda Jean Lightfoot.



December 05, 2019 at 05:21 PM

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“ Mrs. Lynda was SUNSHINE. She was the friendliest, funniest lady I have ever known. Zion will not be the same without her. I know Jesus is laughing at the newly arrived ENTERTAINMENT! See you again, Lynda Lou!

**Heather Flowers** - December 05, 2019 at 04:14 PM



“ Mrs. Lynda was always ready with a loud AMEN. And an occasional OH ME when needed. I doubt if anybody will ever be able to fill her part of “Amen Corner” at Zion. I will never again be able to take her keys she had left in the mail box at the post office. we have had so many laughs about that and many post office visits. I loved you Mrs. Lynda. I'm gonna miss you. Kay.

**Kay Garlington** - December 05, 2019 at 05:12 PM