



Jaunitta June Ellison Bailey

June 25, 1959 - June 4, 2026

Jaunitta June Ellison Bailey, 66, of Mooresville, NC, passed away on Thursday, June 4, 2026, at her home surrounded by her loving family.

She was born on June 25, 1959, in Mercer County, WV, to the late Ira and Lula Mills Ellison. North Carolina became her home in 1998, where she put down roots and built a life centered on faith, family, and love.

She shared a loving marriage of nearly 45 years with her husband, Jimmy, with their 45th wedding anniversary set to be celebrated on June 14. Together they built a life centered on faith, family, and unwavering devotion to one another. They balanced each other beautifully. Jimmy's playful, lighthearted nature complemented her calm, thoughtful spirit. Through every season of life, they remained devoted partners, facing life's joys and challenges side by side. She affectionately called him "my Jimmy."

Family was one of her greatest joys and blessings. She was a devoted mother to her daughter, Sara, and shared a special bond with her sister, Opal Faye, and her nieces, Katelyn Belcher and Heather Russo, whom she loved as her own daughters. She cherished every moment spent with her grandchildren, Addie, Emma, Liam, and Greyson, finding great joy in watching them grow and celebrating their accomplishments. Her nurturing spirit extended far beyond titles and relationships. She had a gift for making people feel

welcomed, cared for, and loved. She treasured the relationships she shared with her siblings and valued the many memories they created together over the years.

Above all, she loved the Lord and sought to honor Him through the way she lived. Her faith was not something she simply spoke about. It was evident in the kindness she showed, the compassion she extended, and the grace with which she cared for others. Her gentle spirit, unwavering faith, and selfless love were a reflection of God's love and left a lasting impact on all who knew her.

She is survived by her loving husband, Jimmy; her daughter, Sara Bailey Busby and husband, Billy Busby; her grandchildren, Addie, Emma, Liam, and Greyson; her sister, Opal Faye Ellison (Lucas); her nieces, Katelyn Belcher and Heather Russo (James) ; and her siblings, Gracie Kimbrough, Alfred Ellison, Ira Ellison, John Ellison, Cathy Smith, Sam Ellison, Mollie Taylor, Pollie Ellison (Buddy), Mary Ann Hammons (Brian), Richard Ellison, and a host of beloved nieces, nephews, aunts and uncles.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her siblings, Rebecca Echols, Tommy Ellison, Joe Ellison, and Glenda Shupe.

A gathering to celebrate Jaunitta's life will be held at the Bailey home at a later date to be announced, just as she would have wanted.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Carolina Caring Hospice, 3975 Robinson Rd, Newton, NC 28658

Cavin-Cook Funeral Home & Crematory, Mooresville, is serving the Bailey

family. Condolences may be made to the family at www.cavin-cook.com

Tribute Wall

CZ

“ I loved Jaunitta she was one of a kind. I wish life had not been so busy but I will cherish the times we sit on her porch and talk for hours. She was truly a treasure to her family and friends. She is now in the arms of Jesus resting in God's heavenly home. We will meet again someday on the other side until then I will carry her in my heart . I love all of the family and praying for all of y'all



CAROLYN J ZEGARRA - June 08 at 04:16 PM

CH

“ Sara,

I am so sorry for your loss. Your mom was such a kind and wonderful person, and I enjoyed the chance to be around her and your dad. The love they shared was truly special and something that was evident to everyone who knew them. I hope the many happy memories you have of her, and of your parents together, bring you comfort in the days ahead. Thinking of you and your family.

Casey Presnell & Emilee Hartley - June 08 at 09:59 AM

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Cloncorric - June 07 at 01:14 AM

AB

Jimmy, Sara and Family, I am thinking of you all and praying for peace, comfort and strength in the days to come. It was truly a blessing to be a part of her care and to spend time getting to know you all. I will always remember her smile, laugh and gentle spirit. May God comfort you all as you navigate the upcoming days and weeks. Love, Amy Robertson, RN

AMY BARBER - June 07 at 01:30 PM

JB

“*Jimmy and fam, I am so sorry to hear of the passing of my dearest childhood friend, Jaunitta Ellison Bailey! We grew up near each other and played all over the hills of Camp Creek, WV. Went to school together from day one and always had wonderful times together. We would take turns going up to Opal Roses post office/store at lunch and purchase a .15 cent bag of bbq corn chips to share with each other. Sleigh riding together in summer on the pine needles and on the snow in the winter time. Playing in the fishing pond on hot days. She was always so tiny and petite but could roar like a lion when someone else bothered her family or friends. Love ❤️ you my dear sweet friend/sister. I know you in your later years you suffered so much pain and God answered and said, come rest, pain free with me! Go Rest High On That Mountain Beautiful Lady, because your work and suffering here on earth is done! Save me a cup of coffee and some bbq corn chips. Heaven gained a beautiful soul!*



Joan Lilly Bowling - June 06 at 07:52 PM

BL

June Bug will forever be missed. Kind, sweet person. Always smiling. No more suffering. We will be United someday. Love, Barbara

Barbara Lilly - June 06 at 08:03 PM

PS

*Sorry to hear that she is gone,
Just a neighbor, Pam*

Pamela Stephens - June 07 at 05:56 PM

BC

“ *She was a amazing women.
She kept the family together always doing and setting up family
reunions,camp outs on the mountain, and get togethers
I loved her like my own sister
Fly high Heaven truly got a angel.Until we meet again Love you*

BRIDGET CALABRESE - June 06 at 07:47 PM

MM

“ *I loved Jaunitta like my sister she was my
best friend we had so many good times
together she stayed with me I will always
cherish her and miss her my heart is broken
Fly night my tea for two friend I love you and I
will miss you until we meet again*



margie mills - June 06 at 05:37 PM

TA

*She truly was a beautiful woman inside and out, I don't believe I ever
saw her that she wasn't smiling or laughing praying for Jimmy and the
family*

Tammy - June 11 at 12:12 AM

TT

“ *Juanita was a beautiful soul .Rick and I went to their house and Juanita and I sat on porch and laughed and carried on I just loved the way Jimmy looked after her it was so precious. Juanita was in a lot of pain it was so hard to but heaven has gained a beautiful angel. Love you Juanita*

Teresa Terry - June 06 at 04:21 PM

JC

Im so sorry to hear of Jaunittas passing. Have known her since we were kids. Prayers for the family.

Joann cooper - June 06 at 05:22 PM