



## Betsy Birchfield Elam

December 3, 1958 - December 5, 2014

### BETSY BIRCHFIELD ELAM

ELAM, Betsy Birchfield, 56, a resident of Prattville, AL went home to be with her Lord Jesus Christ on Friday, December 5, 2014. Funeral Services will be held on Tuesday, December 9, 2014 at 12:00 p.m. from the First Presbyterian Church in Prattville with Pastor Bryant Hanson officiating. Betsy's passion was telling children about Jesus Christ. She ministered for many years to children at Millbrook Presbyterian Church and served as Director of Children's Ministry at First Presbyterian Church in Prattville for 6 years. Mrs. Elam was preceded in death by her father, Edward Norris Birchfield; and her son, Franklin Reid Pritchett. She is survived by her loving husband, Freeman M. Elam; daughters, Rachel Nichole (Nikki) House, Katherine (Katie) Elizabeth Elam; son, Freeman Austin Elam; mother, Clara McCord Birchfield; brother, Edward Norris Birchfield Jr. (Melanie) of Atlanta, GA; five grandchildren, Dylan, Kendall, Sawyer, and Addison House, and Jackson Adams and his mother, Julie Adams; step-daughters, Kellie Elizabeth Herrod (Sid), and Hollie Angie Elam; step-grandchildren, Sydney and Kyle Herrod, and Ryland Elam; and many extended family members and friends. The family will receive friends on Tuesday at First Presbyterian Church from 11:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. A balloon launch from the steps of the church will follow the services with a reception following in the fellowship hall. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to First Presbyterian Church in Prattville in Betsy's honor.



# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 9. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

First Presbyterian Church  
Prattville, AL

## Service

DEC 9. 12:00 PM (CT)

First Presbyterian Church  
Prattville, AL

# Tribute Wall

GS

“ Freeman: You and your family are in our prayers. Our deepest sympathy.

*Gene Shell*

Gene Shell - December 10, 2014 at 02:14 PM

PD

“ The great cloud of witnesses grows larger and larger. Betsy was (and by faith in Christ remains) a dear friend in Christ Jesus. Can't wait until we're all gathered together as the Church triumphant.

Pastor Greg Duke - December 08, 2014 at 08:56 PM



“ Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Betsy Birchfield Elam.



December 07, 2014 at 11:40 AM



“ Heavenly Grace Spray was purchased for the family of Betsy Birchfield Elam.



December 07, 2014 at 11:13 AM

DC

“ I miss our talks we used to have when we went on field trips with our kids. You always made a negative thing into a positive thing. You were a true testimony of what a Godly woman should be. You loved & supported your family every single day. I am thankful that you are in no more pain but I will miss you terribly.



Denita Clark - December 07, 2014 at 08:47 AM

CA

“ Betsy was a True testimony of how we should be as Christians. Watching her in ministry and interacting with youth taught me how to be patient with teens. I am thankful for that. Her endurance and smiling face during her illness was a precious witness of our Lord. She will be truly missed.

Cynthia Antonelli - December 06, 2014 at 10:35 PM

DF

“ Betsy was one of the first people to welcome me and make me feel at home at Autauga Academy. She gave so freely of herself at everything she did. She will greatly be missed!

Deana forbus - December 06, 2014 at 08:54 PM

TA

“ Betsey was a loving and caring person! She loved The Lord and adored her family. I will miss seeing her smile.

tammybnewton - December 06, 2014 at 06:28 PM