

OBITUARY

ALBANY (Georgia) — Joan Gray Bowles, 60, of Albany, died Saturday, February 21, 2004, at her residence.

The funeral service will be 3 p.m. Monday at Avalon United Methodist Church. The Rev. Dale Thornton will officiate and interment will follow in Floral Memory Gardens Cemetery.

A native of Albany, Miss Bowles also was a resident of Cleveland, TN, Hackettstown, NJ, and later returned here upon retirement. She was a lifetime member of Avalon United Methodist Church, a member of United Methodist Women, and a member of the Woodmen of the World. She retired after 37 years of employment with M&M Mars, here, Cleveland, TN, and Hackettstown, NJ, and, where she traveled with the company world wide. "Aunt Joan" loved her family dearly, was a loving sister, aunt, and a caregiver to a great number of friends. She was preceded in death by her parents, Willis and Evers Gray Bowles and a brother, Hughie Bowles.

Survivors include two brothers, Willis Oliver Bowles Jr. and wife, Madlyn of Selma, AL, James Robert "Bubba" Bowles and his wife, Jan, of Mitchell County; one niece, Becky Bowles Nichols and her husband, Robert of Elberta, AL; three nephews, James Robert "Robby" Bowles Jr. and his wife, Amy of Mitchell County, Willis Bart Bowles and his wife, Dawn of Trattville, AL, Wade Oliver Bowles and his wife, Traci of Mitchell County; four great-nieces, Mallorie Nichols, Lindsey Bowles, Logan Bowles, Caroline Bowles of Mitchell County; three great-nephews, Hunter Bowles, Payne Bowles, and Chandler Nichols of Mitchell County; aunt, Inez Gray Duncan of Albany; an uncle, Marvin Bowles and his wife, Eunice of Mississippi.

The family will be at the residence, 3006 Columbia Lane, Albany, and will receive friends today from 3 p.m.-5 p.m. at Kimbrell-Stern.

Those desiring please make memorials to Albany Community Hospice, 2332 Lake Park Drive, P.O. Box 1828, Albany, GA 31702, or American Society, Dougherty-Lee Unit, P.O. Box 1201, Albany, GA 31702.

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