



Pamela Ann Bates

May 8, 1956 - February 21, 2026

Pamela Ann Bates of Taft, Tennessee passed from this life on Saturday, February 21, 2026, at her residence at the age of 69 years.

Born on May 8, 1956, in Fayetteville, Tennessee, she is the daughter of the late Huey and Millie Mae Wilkerson Yell. Along with her parents, she is preceded in death by her husband whom she shared 49 years with, Kenneth Bates. She is also preceded in death by her father and mother-in-law, James and Beatrice Painter Bates.

Pamela and her husband were the proud owners of Bates Disposal for 27 years. She loved farming, canning and gardening. Most importantly she loved her family and spending time with them.

Per her wishes she will be cremated and no services are planned at this time. Her survivors include her daughter, Angela (Ralph) Linnell, sister, Stella Yell Flower, grandchildren, Dakota (Sarah) Linnell, Dezaray (Michael) Kelton, great grandchildren, Jazmine Linnell, Kordell Linnell, nephews, Greg (Kandy) Dunn, Chad (Jeanna) Gray and Jason (Kim) Gray.

Online condolences may be made at www.lynchburgfuneralhome.com.

Lynchburg Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Pamela Bates.

Tribute Wall

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“ *We are so sorry for your loss. Praying for the family. Van and Melissa Massey*

Van and Melissa - February 26 at 12:04 PM

JS

“ *Judy Stafford lit a candle in memory of Pamela Bates*



Judy Stafford - February 26 at 10:03 AM

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“ *Charlotte Farmer lit a candle in memory of Pamela Bates*



Charlotte Farmer - February 25 at 05:52 PM

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“ *So very sorry to hear about Pam. We have so many good memories of the times we were able to spend with her and your whole family. You welcomed us with open arms. You will be in our prayers. Tom & Monica Moran*

Tom & Monica Moran - February 25 at 01:58 PM