



Patricia "Patty" Tayes

September 10, 1959 - March 6, 2026

Patricia "Patty" Melton Tayes, age 66, of Monterey, Tennessee, passed away peacefully at her home on Friday, March 6, 2026.

Patty was born on Thursday, September 10, 1959, in Monterey, Tennessee. She was preceded in death by her parents, Thomas "Puter" Melton and Noble McCowan Melton; and her sister, Delene Keith.

Patty was a hardworking and dedicated woman who owned and operated her own cleaning service for over 30 years. She took great pride in her work and built lasting friendships with many of those she served throughout the community.

She was of the Christian faith and lived her life with kindness, generosity, and love for others. Patty was known for her honest nature, caring heart, and the fierce love she had for her family. She enjoyed working in her yard, spending time with her beloved dog, Abbey, watching television, and scrolling Facebook to keep up with family and friends. Anyone who knew Patty will surely remember her playful spirit and her favorite phrase, "I told you so."

She was survived by her loving partner of 24 years, Jeff Potter; her daughter, Ashley (Daryl) Bennett; her step-grandchildren, Braelynn, Katelynn, and Brooklynn Bennett; and her siblings, Laddie (Brenda) Wilson and Pam Melton

Sullins; along with many extended family members and friends who will deeply miss her.

Patty's family meant the world to her, and she loved them fiercely. Her warmth, laughter, and strong spirit will live on in the hearts of all who knew and loved her.

She will be deeply missed and forever remembered.

In accordance with Patty's wishes, there was no visitation. A private graveside service for family was held at the Wilson Cemetery.

Arrangements and Care was under the direction of D.M. Goff Funeral Home, Inc., 205 East Cleveland Avenue, Monterey, Tennessee 38574, Phone, 931.839.2311.

Tribute Wall

DM

“ Darlene Lowhorn Mckinney lit a candle in memory of Patricia "Patty" Tayes



Darlene Lowhorn Mckinney - March 14 at 02:46 AM

DM

So sorry for your loss heaven gained another Angel 🙏
Darlene Lowhorn

Darlene Lowhorn Mckinney - March 14 at 02:48 AM

NP

“ NAPA Auto Parts planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Patricia "Patty" Tayes.

NAPA Auto Parts - March 12 at 11:10 AM

NP

“ NAPA Auto Parts purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Patricia "Patty" Tayes.



NAPA Auto Parts - March 12 at 11:10 AM

DL

“ *Patty is my cousin that I have not seen for a few years but we kept in touch on Facebook. Our condolences go out to all the family. We will all hold our memories of her in our heart.* ”

Doris McCowan Lyon - March 09 at 12:26 PM

DN

“ *Debbie Norrod sent a virtual gift in memory of Patricia "Patty" Tayes* ”



Debbie Norrod - March 08 at 10:40 PM

DN

Ashley we love you

Debbie Norrod - March 08 at 10:43 PM



“ *Regina Buckner lit a candle in memory of Patricia "Patty" Tayes* ”



Regina Buckner - March 08 at 05:26 AM

CV

“ *Patty was such a sweet and kind person, prayers for comfort* ”



Carolyn Vaughn - March 07 at 07:55 PM

SM

“ *Sherrie Miller lit a candle in memory of Patricia "Patty" Tayes*



Sherrie Miller - March 07 at 05:28 PM

AE

“ *Prayers to the family. Patty was a great person and will be missed greatly.*

Audrey Elrod - March 07 at 02:08 PM

DV

“ *Prayers, love and hugs for the families Diane Cates Vaugh*



Diane Vaughn - March 07 at 12:59 PM

MT

“ *Misty Tetley lit a candle in memory of Patricia "Patty" Tayes*



Misty Tetley - March 07 at 09:51 AM

LH

“ *Lola Harris sent a virtual gift in memory of Patricia "Patty" Tayes*



Lola Harris - March 07 at 07:24 AM

SB

“ *Praying for everyone for peace and comfort.*



Susan Bilbrey - March 07 at 01:20 AM

WS

“ *You always had a beautiful smile. I know it shines even better now 🌹
Prayers for the family 🙏🙏*



Wanda Selby - March 06 at 10:54 PM

AB

“ *April Bohannon lit a candle in memory of Patricia "Patty" Tayes*



April Bohannon - March 06 at 09:30 PM

NF

“ Oh Patty you will be so missed. But I know you are in no pain & Cancer Free in Heaven with Jesus & youre Mom & Dad. I love you Sweetie. REST IN PEACE MY SWEET FRIEND. †††



Nyoka Foister - March 06 at 08:46 PM

JC

“ Rest easy, sweet lady! See ya later. ☐

Ashley, Im sooo sooo sorry. I wish I could say something that made things any better, but I know those don't exist. Just know you & Darnell Benenté and the girls are in my prayers. Love ya cuz.



Jenni Clark - March 06 at 08:42 PM

ST

“ So sorry for the loss of this happy go lucky lady! She always had a sweet smile on her beautiful face and was happy when you saw her! She will be missed!



Sandra Tayes - March 06 at 08:30 PM

JT

“ Jeannie Templeton sent a virtual gift in memory of Patricia "Patty" Tayes



Jeannie Templeton - March 06 at 07:52 PM

CG

“ Cathy Grogan lit a candle in memory of Patricia "Patty" Tayes



Cathy Grogan - March 06 at 07:30 PM

SS

“ Sure thought the world of Patty. Shared many laughs with her always the jokester. She will be missed. Love and prayers. ❤️
SandySampley



Sandy Sampley - March 06 at 06:57 PM



“ So sorry Ashley for your loss Patty was a very sweet soul prayers for you all



Belinda Jones Dillon - March 06 at 06:08 PM

SB

“ Shelia Bilbrey sent a virtual gift in memory of Patricia "Patty" Tayes



Shelia Bilbrey - March 06 at 05:54 PM

JM

“Patty was my “other mother” for most of my life. She loved her baby girl, Ashley, and all of us wild girls so much—but she also knew she and how to put us in our place when needed. She spoiled us all plumb rotten and loved every minute of it. Her house was the “cool house”. I have so so many memories with her and Ashley and all the girls. She was just always the best mom. My heart breaks for Ashley and the whole family. She was one in a million and I know she’s gonna be missed way more than she could have ever dreamed. I’m thankful to have had her for a second mom all those years. She had no idea how much it really meant to have her. Love you Ash. Thinking of you.

Jessica Norrod McCormick - March 06 at 05:17 PM