



## Janice Ann Arp Bayless

October 6, 1943 - July 12, 2021

Janice Ann Arp Bayless of Ardmore, Tennessee passed away at home surrounded by her family on July 12, 2021.

She was born October 6, 1943 in Knoxville, Tennessee to Howard and Kathleen Arp. She met a young man, Rabon Bayless, from Ardmore, Tennessee. They were married and she followed him home to The Farm, where she would become a devoted wife, country girl, and a loving cherished member of the community.

Together they prospered and raised 2 children , John (Deanna) Bayless and Anne (Ellis) Chatterton. She was a gardener, woodcarver, head cheerleader for her family, and was always ready to prepare a hot meal for anyone. It was once said, "She was a really good cook for a skinny woman." Janice loved people in general and always strived to help others any way she could. She loved her church but hated drama and politics. She loved Annie, her faithful dog, her two cats and her chickens but hated snakes. Janice was a quiet, private person but could stand her ground when needed and finally learned to cuss in her later years.

Janice is survived by her children and grandchildren Hank and Luke Bayless, Lane and Adeleine Chatterton, her brother Dan (Cindy) Arp, and a host of extended family and friends. She was preceded in death by her husband and

parents.

She will be celebrated by a graveside service at Gatlin Cemetery in Ardmore, Tennessee at 3pm, Wednesday, July 14. Visitation will follow at Ardmore Chapel Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Cash Point Baptist Church of Ardmore, Tennessee.

# Tribute Wall

PH

“ *Janice Ann Arp Bayless*

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**Peggy Holt** - July 23, 2021 at 01:09 PM

MC

“ *I have such fond memories of Mrs. Janice. I enjoyed visiting in her home as a child. She always made me feel so welcome. As an adult, I enjoyed running into her at the Piggly Wiggly and getting a quick update on her family. She will be greatly missed. My thoughts and prayers are with her family.*

*Mary A. Cooper*

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**Mary Cooper** - July 13, 2021 at 04:45 PM

AB

“ *I am so sorry to hear of Miss Janice's passing. She was one of the kindest ladies I knew growing up. I remember her being a wonderful substitute teacher when I was a girl. She was a terrific mom to John and Anne. As Anne would agree, Miss Janice always knew how to make any of Anne's friends feel at home while being invited over for a playdate as a child.*

*She was an amazing lady and her presence will truly be missed.*

*My prayers and thoughts are with her family at this time.*

*Amy M. Biggerstaff*

*Chapel Hill, TN*

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**Amy Biggerstaff** - July 13, 2021 at 01:22 PM

TS

“ Reminding those whom you support that your thoughts are with them.

Tribute Store - July 13, 2021 at 08:53 AM

LE

“ So very sorry to learn of Janice’s death. She was a kind and gentle soul.

Loretta Merrell Ekis - July 12, 2021 at 10:24 PM

RJ

“ This women was a Angel to us helped me rase my kids gave us a place to stay she bought my daughter first baby bed there so much she did for us id be here forever wri9what her and her husband did for us sadest birthday for me to here shes gone but i know shes wi3her loveing man thats what will get me threw this

Rose jones - July 12, 2021 at 09:56 PM

PH

“ Janice was forever the kindest person and I loved her dearly. She carried me to Fayetteville to the Past time cafe just off the square to observe a weekly get together for musicians. She was a member of the Home Demonstration Club and took a big part. And she gave the best hugs!  
Peggy Holt

Peggy Holt - July 12, 2021 at 08:45 PM

VP

“ So many good memories when our kids were little. we kept Blanche School in line. I am so sorry for your loss. VIOLET PERRY

Violet Perry - July 12, 2021 at 08:31 PM

HM

“*Mrs. Janice was a teacher’s aide at Blanche when I was in Kindergarten. I remember her sweet, and soft spirit. She will always have a place in my memory. Praying for the family during their loss.*”

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**Hollie Mitchell** - July 12, 2021 at 07:11 PM