



Mary "Beckie" Gantt

May 15, 2011

Mary Elizabeth "Beckie" Gantt, 49, of Cape Girardeau died Sunday, May 15, 2011, at Southeast Hospital. She was born June 12, 1961, in Albany, Ga., to James Carlton "J.C." and Sara Elizabeth Gandy. She and David W. Gantt were married Aug. 12, 1978, in Albany. Beckie was a member of Red Star Baptist Church. She served churches in Georgia and Missouri as Sunday school teacher and AWANA teacher. Other than her work for the Lord, she was a gifted homemaker. She was a loving wife, mother and grandmother. With the love and compassion she had for children, she was a mother figure to many. She was known for being a great caregiver to anyone who had a need. When she did work outside the home, she was assistant manager at KFC, substitute teacher in Worth County Ga., and administrative assistant with First Care. She also worked for the accounting department and bursar's office at Southeast Missouri State University. She also loved barrel racing and playing softball. Survivors include her husband, David W. Gantt of Cape Girardeau; three daughters, Donna (Nathan) Charette of Jackson, Deborah Gantt of Nashville, Ga., and Laura Gantt of Cape Girardeau; three grandchildren, David Martin Jr., Breanna Martin and Isabella Charette; two brothers, Andy Harrell of Tifton, Ga., and Ricky Harrell of Albany; three sisters, Connie Frantzreb of Atlanta, Sharlene Fleming of South Carolina and Jannie Benson of Putney, Ga. Beckie had 16 nieces and nephews, and 14 great-nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents. Beckie was loved by so many, and will truly be missed. May we thank God for the time we

had with her. Friends may call 5 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, May 17, 2011 at Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Funeral Home. The funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, May 18, 2011 at the funeral home, with the Rev. Donny Ford & Rev. Tommy Weems officiating. Entombment will be in Cape County Memorial Park Mausoleum. Memorial contributions may be given to the Humane Society of Southeast Missouri.

Tribute Wall

MJ

“ David and family, I was shocked to read about Beckie's passing in the Albany Herald. I can relate what you are going through, losing my first husband when he was only 48. Trust in God and remember the good times. I will be praying for you and your family.

Marsha Buchanan Josserand - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KR

“ David, There are just no words at a time like this. I just direct you and the girls to the Lord for the peace that can come from only Him. Everyone speaks of Beckie's smile and laugh, and I do remember those also. Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you all. May God bless you and your family.

Kay Royal - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JD

“ David, I am sorry to hear of your loss. I asked about Beckie every week when I saw Janie and was hoping to hear she was improving so it was a shock when I got the news. May God be with you and your family at this time.

Jean Day - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ Our family sends their sympathy to you & your families. We were sorry to hear of your wonderful wife, mother, grandmother & sister, Beckie's passing. We have very fond memories of her & your families will always be in our prayers.

Carol & Clifford Inlow & family - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ We are so sorry for your loss. Beckie will be greatly missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and the family. We love ya'll

Dwain & Janet Weaver - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

VD

“ David, again so sorry for your loss. She was too young, I pray you are doing okay. Gjud Bless you and your girls.

victoria doonovan - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ David, please know that you and yours are certainly in my warmest thoughts and prayers. What a wonderful life Becky lead. My heart goes out to you and your family.

Lisa Hammons Fletcher - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KM

“ David & family...I shocked and at a loss for words when I heard about Beckie. You never expect someone so young to leave in this way. Please except my prayers for you as well as your and Beckie's girls as you find your way through this difficult time.

Kathy Poole McQuaig - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SW

“ David-I am so sorry to hear that Becky fell asleep in death. I will always remember the love you both had for each other. Look forward to the resurection (Rev. 21:1-4)when you will see her again in a healthy state. My prayers are with you andthe girls. Please pray often and Jehovah will strengthen you to undergo this trying time and comfort you.

Shirley Wingfield - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CD

“ David, I'm so very sorry for your loss. One of my fondest memories of you and Beckie is at the pool at Paradise Village. I just remember us all laughing and knowing how much in love the two of you were. I know you have many wonderful memories with the love of your life. Praying for you and your family.

Carol Pearson Daughtry - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LP

“ David..so very sorry to hear this..Becki was such a sweet, loving person..what a gift she was to all..praying for you and your family..Deepest Sympathy, Lisa and Mike Pobst

Lisa Pobst - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ David you have my condolences may your faith get you thru this, Jeff Mezo your old team mate on 5g

Jeff Mezo - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MR

“ My thoughts and prayers go out to the entire Gantt family. Beckie was like a mom to me and she will greatly be missed. We all know that she is now looking down on up in no pain. We love you and will never forget about you Mamma.

Michael Reed - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BL

“ David, so sorry for your loss. May God keep you in his loving arms for comfort at this time. My prayers are with you.

Betty Lowe - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BJ

“ David, I wish there was something I could say to ease your pain, but I am at a loss for words. So I will just say I am sorry for your loss and you and your family are in my prayers. I pray that God will give you the comfort that only He can give. Take care of yourself and know that only time and God will ease your pain, but in the mean time know that there is a lot of us praying for you and yours. Beverly

Beverly Foxworth Jackson - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ David, I am so sorry for your loss. You and your family will be in my prayers...

Dianne White Bragg - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

FW

“ David I'm so sorry to hear of this news. Prayers and thoughts are with you and your family. If you ever in Albany again look us up. Love & Prayers your way. Lee and Freda Wiggins

Freda Wiggins - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ Uncle David just wanted to say that words can never express how deeply sorry I am for you and Donna, Laura, and Deborah's loss. I have many fond memories of Aunt Becky. I know her heart went out to me when I needed a little encouragement and she was there for me. Would have liked to have been there with the family. Sorry that wasn't possible. But my thoughts and prayers are with all of you and our family.

Theresa Sears - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MT

“ *Beckie was truly a second mom to me and you all were my family. She will be greatly missed. I have so many great memories of her and all of you that will never be forgotten.*

Missy Thomas - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ *My heart goes out to you and the girls. She was a great person and always so sweet, she will be missed by many. Give the girls my best and let them know I will keep you all in my prayers.*

Barbara Heape - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SW

“ *David, I'm so sorry for your loss of Beckie. My thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.*

Susan Pelham Williams - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ *David, You and your family are in my prayers and have my sincere sympathy. I only heard about it this morning. Teresa Scowden*

Teresa Scowden - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AA

“ *David, so sorry for your loss. Beckie was truly a lady everyone loved. They say time heals all, I can say, it gets a little more bareable everyday. I know. Wish i could be for you.. You and the family are in my prayers, love you.*

Angela Anderson - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ David....I don't know what to say except Beckie was loved by many & will be greatly missed...Take comfort knowing she's no longer in pain & you'll see her again one day....Our thoughts & prayers are with you all.....

Sharon Robinson - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CP

“ Dearest Beckie, I will never forget how we met at Dr. Talley's office when we were pregnant back in 1979. What a hoot! It was so fun! I am glad I got to know you. Your heart was as big as all outdoors. You always welcomed me & whoever I had with me into you & David's home. I know God needs you to be with him now. I will miss you. I love you!

Cyndi Pilotte-Sanders - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ We were blown away to hear of Becky, I still can't beleive it. We loved Becky and your family and it hurts me to know the pain and loss you have to endure, but we can rejoice one day we will see them again when the Lord calls us home. We are praying the Lord eases the pain and know we love ya'll.

Cathie & Glen Snelson - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ I remember how wonderful Beckie was from her time at Bethany Baptist Church. She had such a bright light within her, and she made everyone around her feel loved. My thoughts and prayers are with you all in this difficult time, but I know she is tickled to be at the right hand of her Lord today.

Jerrica (Houchins) McCarty - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SP

“ David, My memories go way back, and they are all wonderful. Beckie will be missed by all who knew and loved her. You and the girls are in my thoughts and prayers as you cope with this great loss. Take each day one at a time and know she is in a much better place and that one day she will be there to greet us with that beautiful smile of hers! Love you all! Stephanie

Stephanie Parker-Clemons - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ David I am so sorry to hear about your wife. You and your family are in my prayers.

Rhonda Hannon - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LT

“ David and family: I'm so sorry to hear of your wife's passing. May God give you comfort and peace in the days and weeks to come. You are all in my prayers.

Larista Farmer Thompson - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MT

“ David, Sorry doesn't even begin to convey my feelings for you, Donna, Debra, Laura, Jannie and the rest of your family. You & Becky and the girls were a huge part of my teenage years. I will always remember Becky for her laugh and smile. She was a great friend and when I saw her a couple of years ago we picked up where we left off sharing stories of our lives. I will forever cherish my memories of playing softball with her and our spring break trip to PC. I will continue to pray for you all. I love y'all! Missy

Melissa "Missy"Holladay - Thompson - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PH

“ I am so sorry to hear about Beckie. She will be missed by many and I know will leave a hole in your heart. Cherish your memories as you will carry them with you forever. My prayers are with you and your family at this time of loss. God Bless You.

Peggy Hamlin - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RW

“ She was like a second mother to me even though I didn't keep in touch. I am very sorry for your loss. Please let me know if there is anything I can do.

Rebecca D. (Riddle) Whipple - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ my heart goes out to you all and my prayers will never leave you. I feel lucky to have been an (unofficial) part of this family. God bless you Beckie sleep well with the angels.

linda banks - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JK

“ I have many childhood memories of your entire family that will live with me forever...Mrs. Beckie was definitely MOM to ALL...The things I remember about her most was her love for us kids and the constant references to Jesus everytime I was around her...even on long late bus rides with us "band kids"...love you guys...please feel free to contact me anytime

John Kirkland - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

HF

“ We are so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with your family in this sad time.

Heather McDonald and family - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM