



Vera Faye Bennett Easterling

December 9, 1943 - November 26, 2025

Vera Faye Bennett Easterling, age 81, of Franklinton, Louisiana, passed away peacefully on November 26, 2025. She was retired after a long career as a seamstress at Rutter Rex and also worked at Eckerd Drugs in Franklinton for a time. Vera was a longtime member of Oak Grove Baptist Church. She loved reading her favorite novels and visiting on the phone with her family and friends. She also enjoyed sewing, and drinking coffee or hot cocoa with a side of something sweet. Vera was a woman whose heart was centered firmly around her family and friends. She cherished every moment spent with them—especially her beloved grandchildren and great-grandchildren, who brought her endless joy and pride. Her warmth, strength, and gentle spirit were felt by all who knew her.

Vera is survived by her two sons, Joe Easterling and Ed Easterling; her sister Lenell (Charles) Merritt; her grandchildren, Victoria (Kraig) Schexnayder, Eddie Easterling II, and Joseph Easterling; her great-grandchildren, Ava Easterling, Joseph Easterling II, Koby, Kate, William and Vivian Schexnayder.

She was preceded in death by her parents Randolph Bennett and Thelma Miller Bennett, brothers Vernon Eugene, Gary Lavoy, Ralph and Melvin Bennett, brother and sister in law Marvin and Estelle Bennett, sisters and brothers in law Yvonne (R V) Rogers and Lucille (Michael) Warren and other family members.

Visitation will be at Oak Grove Baptist Church (19840 Lee Road, Franklinton, LA 70438) on Saturday December 13th from 9:00 am until 11:00 am. A funeral service will be held in the church at 11:00 am Saturday with Rev. Donnie Smith officiating. Burial will follow in the church cemetery.

Pallbearers: Joe Easterling, Ed Easterling, Eddie Easterling II, Kraig Schexnayder, William Schexnayder

Tribute Wall

RB

“ I'm truly sorry for your loss.

I met Vera many years ago while working with her at Rutter Rex. She knew I had lost my parents and instantly treated me like family.

There wasn't a birthday or holiday she missed. I either got a card or a call. She always had an ear to listen when I needed a friend and always encouraged me.

In the last years we were not able to visit but stayed in touch by talking on the phone. No matter how bad our day was, we would always be laughing before we hung up.

You were blessed to have her. You were her everything! She loved her family! She was family to me and will be missed always.

Rosemary Boleware - December 11, 2025 at 07:20 AM

JD

“ I remember when William was a baby and toria was in her first independent home in Covington and I had to stay with William when he was a baby, and her mammaw vera had to stay with us for that time. She was a very strong opinionated woman, to say in the least. I pray she's in a better place.

Josephine Dazet - December 01, 2025 at 05:37 PM