



## Sibyl Martin Hammonds

October 14, 1935 - December 10, 2025

Sibyl Martin Hammonds was born October 14, 1935, in Painter, Alabama and passed on to be with the Lord on Dec 10, 2025, in Homewood, Alabama. In those 90 years, she lived a life filled with faithful service to the Lord and loving care for her family. Sibyl never shied away from hard work, whether in her home, the hayfield, cotton patch, garden, chicken house, or the various jobs she held over the years. She wore many titles in her lifetime such as daughter, sister, wife, mother, friend, grandmother, and great-grandmother, and she epitomized what it means to be each one of those. However, Sibyl knew the most important title she wore was Child of God. She was a Christian for more than 65 years and truly looked forward to worshipping and glorifying God with her brothers and sisters in Christ. She would be quick to correct anyone who said we “have to go to church” with “No, we get to go to church!” In 1949, Sibyl married at the age of 14, and she and R.C. moved to Detroit, Michigan where she became a mother for the first time at 16. She dedicated her life to being a good wife through 59 years of marriage, celebrating life’s joys and enduring the storms and hardships with grace and kindness. She was a wonderful scratch cook and seamstress, and she set the ultimate example of what it means to be a loving adult child in caring for her parents during their declining years.

Sibyl was preceded in death by her loving husband, R.C. Hammonds, her parents Virgil Martin and Dovie Gilbreath Martin, her sister Glenda Belle

Martin, her brothers James Martin and Doyle Martin, her sons-in-law Richard Copeland and John E. Gurtler, and all her sisters and brothers-in-law, save one.

She is survived by her daughter Joan Hammonds Gurtler, daughter Karen Copeland Troulias (Wayne), son Richard Hammonds (Lisa), son Stan Hammonds (Ginger), sister-in-law Jeanette Hammonds McMullins, 10 grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Flowers are appreciated; however, you may also choose to donate to the Alzheimer's Association.

Funeral service will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, December 12, 2025, in the Chapel of Adams Brown Service Funeral Home. Burial will follow at Liberty Cemetery in the Painter Community. Pallbearers assisting Mrs. Hammonds to her final resting place will include her grandsons John S. Gurtler, Will Hammonds, and Harrison Hammonds, along with her nephews Jimmy Martin, Jeff Allen, and Shannon Allen. The family will receive friends two hours prior to the service, beginning at 12:00 p.m.

# Cemetery Details

## Liberty Cemetery-Painter

808 County Road 9  
Crossville, AL 35962

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 12. 1:25 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Adams Brown Service Funeral Home  
6906 US Highway 431 South  
P.O. Box 488  
Albertville, AL 35950  
(256) 878-0231

## Funeral Service

DEC 12. 2:00 PM (CT)

Adams Brown Service Funeral Home  
6906 US Highway 431 South  
P.O. Box 488  
Albertville, AL 35950  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Adams Brown Service Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Sibyl Martin Hammonds*



**Adams Brown Service Funeral Home** - December 12, 2025 at 10:43 AM

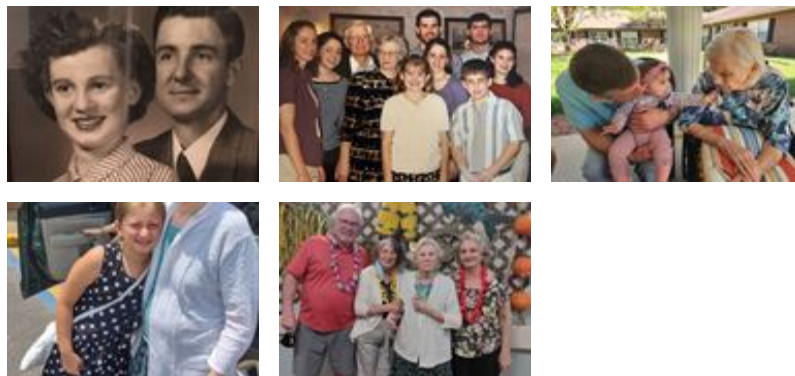
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“ *“One of the most amazing, gracious, godly women I have ever known, and the second most influential woman in my formative years. Anyone who knew grandmother knew a woman of compassion, humility, and godliness, displayed in every aspect of her life. She will be missed greatly. We will treasure all of our precious memories of her in our hearts always.”*

**Joshua Gurtler** - December 15, 2025 at 10:06 AM



“ *50 files added to the album LifeTributes*



**Adams Brown Service Funeral Home** - December 12, 2025 at 10:13 AM



“ *So sorry for your family’s loss. Remembering you all in prayer!*

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**Patrick Gampp** - December 12, 2025 at 09:19 AM



“ *Joy Thomas and Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Sibyl Martin Hammonds.*



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**Joy Thomas and Family** - December 12, 2025 at 09:16 AM