



## Janie Lucille Winchester Sorrells

April 13, 1942 - August 18, 2024

Janie Lucille Winchester Sorrells  
Easley, South Carolina

After a courageous battle with breast cancer, Janie Lucille Winchester Sorrells peacefully passed through death to life at Rainey Hospice House on August 18, 2024.

She was the daughter of the late Allie Bertie Winchester and Benjamin Tillman Winchester of Pickens. She was part of the tenth generation of Winchesters to be born in upstate South Carolina. Being one of fifteen children, she was related to many people in the Pickens area. She thoroughly enjoyed her large family and had many childhood playmates.

Janie worked twenty-three years at Ryobi in Pickens and never missed a day due to illness. She enjoyed yard work including weed eating, shrub trimming and using her electric push mower. She liked planting and nourishing flowers and appreciated the beauty of birds. She preferred her outdoor clothes dryer to her inside one and was known for killing any snake that crossed her path.

Janie was a woman of faith and instilled the value of education to her children. She was an excellent southern cook who liked bringing her family together around food. An avid consumer of news and politics, she kept up with local

and national news and could have civil political discourse, even if she disagreed with you.

Her life's joy was her four grandchildren-Conor McManamon, Cierra Sorrells, Brendan McManamon and Maci Sorrells. She always had activities, crafts and adventures at the ready-anything done with a grandchild brought happiness to her. She created a water park, volleyball court, place for fireworks, and picnics in her backyard. Frisbees, play-dough, cooking, coloring, painting, balls of all types, skateboards, bikes, and Flintstone cars were all part of the adventure at Grandma's House.

Janie is survived by her husband of sixty-four years, Tommy Sorrells, and three children-Tony Sorrells (Tammy); Debbie Sorrells McManamon; and Tim Sorrells (Shonda) as well as her four treasured grandchildren.

Her siblings Leona Crowther, Evelyn Breazeale, Christine Kearney, Valley Winchester, Elizabeth Howe, Daniel Sloan Winchester, Esther Kelley, Benjamin Tillman Winchester, Jr., David Winchester, Hubert Winchester, and Martha Reavis predeceased her. She is survived by three sisters-Mary Hull, Ruth Hinkle and Myrtie Cochran.

A joint memorial service will be held for both Janie and Tommy Sorrells at Pickens First Baptist Church on Friday January 17. Visitation will be from 1pm-3pm in the Fellowship Hall, with service to follow in the Sanctuary at 3:15pm. The address is 406 East Main Street, Pickens, S.C.29671.

Mountain View Funeral Home – Pickens Chapel is serving the Sorrells family.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 17. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Pickens First Baptist Church  
406 East Main Street  
Pickens, SC 29671

## Memorial Service

JAN 17. 3:15 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ 37 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Mountain View Funerals and Cremations - January 15, 2025 at 12:32 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Janie Lucille Winchester Sorrells.



January 01, 2025 at 07:30 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Janie Lucille Winchester Sorrells.

January 01, 2025 at 07:30 PM



“ So sorry to hear about Janie and Tommy. I grew up across the street from the Winchesters and knew all the family. My thoughts and prayers are with both families during this difficult time.

Dean Holder - December 28, 2024 at 04:18 PM

LP

“ So sorry for your loss . I have done Janie’s hair for many years . She was a very sweet and kind lady . She will be missed .

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**Lisa Patrick** - September 02, 2024 at 10:10 PM

MH

“ Murray and I send our love and sympathy to Tommy, Tony and Debbie as well as the extended family in the loss of sweet Janie Sorrells. She loved and supported her children in all of their music and athletic endeavors. Janie was one of the kindest ladies I have ever known. She truly displayed the gracious ways of a fine lady. While I have not seen Janie in several years I have always loved her. Prayers will follow through the journey of grief. Martha and Murray Hughes

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**martha hughes** - September 01, 2024 at 05:06 PM

HD

“ Sending our condolences to the Winchester and Sorrells families. Uncle Ben and Aunt Bertie raised a great family.



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**Helen Winchester Dodgens** - August 26, 2024 at 09:44 PM

DH

Prayers for the family. GOD bless .

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**Doug Hornick** - January 07, 2025 at 06:43 AM

JC

“ *Debbie you look just like your lovely Mother. I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. Love you, Joan Cothran.*



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**Joan Cothran** - August 23, 2024 at 08:37 PM