



## Sylvia Jean Kay-Austin

April 29, 1951 - August 6, 2022

Sylvia Jean Kay-Austin  
Easley, South Carolina

Sylvia Jean Kay-Austin, 71, loving wife of 22 years to James D. Austin, passed away Saturday, August 6, 2022 at home with her family by her side.

A native of Pickens County, South Carolina Sylvia was born April 29, 1951, the daughter of the late Ervin and Edna Mae Brooks Rhodes. Mrs. Kay-Austin was of the Baptist faith. She was a homemaker and loving wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, aunt and friend. She will be dearly missed by all those who loved her and knew her.

Sylvia enjoyed thrift store shopping or as she called it “Good Willin’ it”, watching “Days of Our Lives” (you didn’t dare disturb her from 1:00PM – 2:00PM) as that was her “me time”. When able, she truly enjoyed cooking and having Sunday dinners with her family and friends. If you ever came to one of these dinners, you know what a spread it was and you definitely didn’t leave hungry. But most of all, she enjoyed her time with her children and especially her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Survivors include her husband, James D. Austin of the home; her two children, Tammy Kay (Barry Stegall) of Pickens and Tony Kay (Sonya Lomax)

of Central; two stepchildren, Josh Austin (Stephanie) of Easley and Amanda Austin of Tucson, AZ; seven grandchildren, Lee Kay of the home, Samantha Kay Chandler (Zack) of Liberty, Brandon Kay (Brianna Atkins) of Central, and Haley Kay Streets (Isaac) of Easley; three step-grandchildren, Mikey Austin of Tucson, AZ, Malachi Austin of Tucson, AZ, and Sawyer Austin of Easley; three great-grandchildren, Brysin Ross of Easley, D.J. Chandler of Easley, and Mason Kay of Central.

In addition to her parents, Mrs. Kay-Austin was predeceased by six brothers, Alvin Rhodes, J.T Rhodes, Paul Rhodes, Floyd Rhodes, Jerry Rhodes, and Danny Rhodes; and five sisters, Carolyn Holbrooks, Kathy Willard, Brenda Yates, Shirley Kay, and Joan Ray. Sylvia was the last of twelve children.

The family would like to extend a special thanks to Hospice of the Upstate for their care, compassion and guidance during this hard journey. An extra special thanks to two angel nurses, Audrey and Starla for the respect and care they showed the family during this difficult time.

There is no service at this time. A gathering of family and friends will be announced at a later date.

The family is at the home.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in Sylvia's honor may be to the Ronald McDonald House Charities of Charleston Medical University of South Carolina – Heart and Vascular Center by visiting their website at [www.rmhcharleston.org](http://www.rmhcharleston.org), by mailing 81 Gadsden St, Charleston, SC 29401 or by calling (843) 723-7957.

Mountain View Funeral Home – Pickens Chapel is serving the Kay-Austin family.



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