



## Mrs. Imogene "Jean" Sikes Stribling

March 3, 1919 - April 9, 2023

### Imogene "Jean" Sikes Stribling

Jean Stribling, 104, died on Sunday, April 9, 2023, at the Madden Lighthouse. She was born on March 3, 1919, in Neshoba County, Mississippi to John Thomas Sikes, Jr. and Mary Lofton Sikes. They moved to Leake County in 1926. She graduated from Walnut Grove High School in 1937 as Valedictorian of her class.

After high school, Jean worked as a secretary for Attorney O. H. Barnett, Jr. During World War II, she worked for the Selective Service System and the War Price and Rationing Board. While working for Selective Service, she drafted her future husband and sent him off to serve his country.

Jean married Crisler Stribling in 1941. They were active members of Freeny Baptist Church. She taught Sunday School and was the Sunday School secretary for many years. She loved the Lord, her family, and her church family. She was an active member of the Freeny Homemakers Club for over fifty years.

In her former years, Jean enjoyed cooking, sewing, quilting, and gardening. In recent years, she enjoyed reading, working word and jigsaw puzzles, and being with her great-grandchildren. After her husband's death in 2002, she lived alone and drove herself to church every Sunday until she was 97 years old. She then moved to Madden to live with her daughter.

Jean is preceded in death by her parents, her husband, her sister, Vauneta Hardage Beard, her daughter-in-law, Dawn Stribling, and her son-in-law, Jim Pat Johnson.

She is survived by her son, Chris Stribling (Amber) of Starkville, her daughter, Mary Jean Johnson Green (Dr. Steve) of Walnut Grove, her grandchildren, Kristin Ogletree (Neal), and Jamey Johnson, both of Madden, Jennifer Lucas (Stephen) of Hawkins, Texas, and Drew Stribling of Starkville, and her eight great-grandchildren.

Pall Bearers will be Drew Stribling, Jamey Johnson, Neal Ogletree, Stephen Lucas, Blaine Ogletree, Judd Ogletree, and Jett Broderick.

Visitation will be held Friday, April 14, 2023 at Wilcox Funeral Home from 11 a.m. to 12:50 p.m. with the service following at 1 at Wilcox Funeral Home chapel. Rev. Perry McCall and Rev. Phillip Roland will officiate. Interment will be in Shockalo Cemetery at Freetrade.

In lieu of flowers, the family request that memorials be made to Freeny Baptist Church, 3501 Freeny Road, Carthage, MS 39051 or Shockalo Cemetery Fund c/o Marilyn Strum, 134 Rockwood Road, Carthage, MS 39051.

# Cemetery Details

## Shockalo

Carthage, MS

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 14. 11:00 AM - 12:50 PM (CT)

Wilcox Funeral Home  
106 S Jordan Street  
Carthage, MS 39051  
(601) 267-8081  
wilcoxfh@netdoor.com  
<https://www.wilcoxfuneralhome.com/>

## Funeral Service

APR 14. 1:00 PM (CT)

Wilcox Funeral Home  
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## Burial

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APR 14 (CT)

Shockalo  
Carthage, MS

# Tribute Wall



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Mrs. Imogene "Jean" Sikes Stribling.*



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April 12, 2023 at 02:05 PM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Mrs. Imogene "Jean" Sikes Stribling.*



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April 11, 2023 at 06:03 PM



“ *My condolences to the Stribling family. My mother (Mildred Stribling Allen) was a cousin to Crisler. I remember them well. May Jean rest in peace in Heaven throughout eternity. God bless you and keep you.  
Linda Allen Garrett*



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**Linda Garrett** - April 11, 2023 at 02:01 PM

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“ *Condolence is extended to the family!  
Miss Jean was a wonderful neighbor and  
friend.  
She will be greatly missed!*



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**Mary Sharp** - April 10, 2023 at 01:58 PM