



Joyce Edna Fentress

January 13, 1938 - May 13, 2016

Joyce Edna Fentress, age 78, of Sweetwater went home to be with Jesus on Friday, May 13, 2016 after a long illness. She was born in Newark, NJ on Friday, January 13, 1938 to Robert and Henrietta Hempel. All of her life was devoted to loving and caring for her family as well as numerous others who knew her as “Nanny” and “Gigi”. She was a elegant lady who loved sewing, quilting, dancing and music. Preceded in death by her husband: Robert W. Fentress Jr., and son Robert W. Fentress III., her parents and two siblings. She is survived by her sons: Dale Fentress, of Hulbert, OK., Craig (Wendy) Fentress, of Athens, TN, daughters: Patty (Bobby) Vinson, of Sweetwater, Pam (Bill) Fortney, New Bern, NC., grandchildren: Brooke and Rodrigo Rios, Jenny and Matt Tilley, Katie and Kristina Sams, Brad Fentress, Rachel and Phillip Kohler, Sarah and Ben Sparrow, Anna Vinson, Rebekah and John Francis, Ashley Vinson, and Philip Vinson, great-grandchildren: Maddy, Ben, and Cooper Tilley, Victoria, Santi, and Luca Rios, Elijah and Raynah Sparrow, Lydia and Anna Kohler, and Oliver Sols, sister: Carol (Carl) DeMarco and numerous nieces and nephews. The family would like to thank the staff at Home Health of East Tennessee and Hospice for loving her and with unwavering patience allowing her do what made her happy. The family will receive friends on Monday, May 16, 2016 from 6:00P.M. until 7:00P.M. followed by a celebration of life service at 7:00P.M. with Rev. Bill Dawson, and Rev. Mike Justice officiating at the Beulah Chapel Church of the Nazarene, 270 County Rd. 231, Niota, TN 37826. Kyker Funeral Homes, Sweetwater, in

charge of arrangements. www.kykerfuneralhomes.com

Tribute Wall

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“ *Loved this precious lady*

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“ *Joyce was a woman that loved her family.I am her hairdresser and I always heard beautiful stories.Her family should know you were her greatest treasure .I definitely will miss her love and kindness.*

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