



## Mrs. Billie Jean "B.J." Royals Shields

November 28, 1947 - April 28, 2023

Billie Jean Royals Shields, age 75 of Gillett, Arkansas gained her heavenly wings on Friday, April 28, 2023. Billie Jean was born on November 28, 1947, in Dermott, Arkansas to John William and Bernice Fuller Royals. She was raised in McGehee, AR where she was a member of Chickasaw Baptist Church and graduated from high school in 1965. She then continued her education at A&M College where she received a bachelor's degree in education. She went on to teach business classes in the public education system before staying home to raise her family. Later, Billie Jean worked for Riceland until her retirement in December 2019.

Billie Jean was a beloved wife, mother, sister, grandmother, and great-grandmother. She will be dearly missed by her family and friends. Billie Jean is preceded in death by her parents; husband (Gary "Catfish" Shields); daughters, Lisa Michelle Hall and Christina Adonnis Williams; and granddaughter, Natalie Grace Williams.

Billie Jean is survived by her son, Jason Shields and wife Stacy of Missouri City, TX; sisters, Brenda Kay Whitehead, Patty Jenkins, and Debbie Williams; grandchildren, Morgan Gipson, Donavan Shields, Caleb Shields, Logan Shields, Skylar Williams, and Hayden Williams; five great-grandchildren; along with numerous nieces and nephews, as well as friends.

A private Celebration of Life will be held with family.

# Tribute Wall

CL

“ BJ taught me in the 11th grade also her Husband Catfish was a good friend to my brother Jake Humphreys . Prayers for your family!

clara.ray@ccawarriirs.net - May 01, 2023 at 10:21 PM

EJ

“ I taught at Watson with Billie Jean many, many years ago. She was a wonderful person and I extend my deepest sympathies to her family.

Evelyn Jeffers - May 01, 2023 at 03:43 PM

DB

Billie Jean and I taught at Delta together. We carpooled together. She was a great friend! Thought, and prayers for peace and comfort. 🙏

Donna Brazil - May 01, 2023 at 09:34 PM

GP

Billie Jean and i ran around in mcgehee together in high school always considered her as a good friend she will be missed prayers for the family!!!!

gene price - May 01, 2023 at 11:13 PM