



Rachel Lin Petty

September 24, 1962 - October 10, 2025

Rachel Lin Petty, age 63, beloved wife, mother, grandmother, sister, aunt and friend, passed away on Friday, October 10, 2025 in Searcy, AR.

Rachel devoted her life to caring for others, especially children. As a career kindergarten teacher, she touched countless young lives with her patience, creativity, and warmth. She had a special love for babies and a remarkable ability to make every child feel safe and valued.

Her faith was at the center of her life. She had a deep passion for the church community and found joy in serving the children's class. Rachel loved arts and crafts, creating things with her hands, and enjoyed being able to connect with people. She was always ready to call and "just visit" with friends or family. Her warmth and kindness made her someone everyone loved to be around.

She is survived by her husband, Joe Petty; two children, James Petty and Robbie Nieman; eight adored grandchildren, Kinley, Katie, Greyson, Kyler, Beau, River; a brother, Randy Brown (Rhonda) of Conway; a sister, Rhonda Fairfield (Irvin) of Russellville; two nieces, four nephews and many dear friends and former students who will forever hold her in their hearts.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Charles Brown, Dorma Brown and her forever baby girl, Elizabeth.

Her warmth, laughter, and compassion will be remembered and cherished by all who were blessed to know her.

Her memorial will be held on October 17, 2025, at Denmark Baptist Church, with visitation beginning at 1pm and funeral service will immediately follow

beginning at 2pm.

Arrangements entrusted to Powell Funeral Home of Bradford.

www.powellfuneralhome.net

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

OCT 17. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Denmark Baptist Church
5857 Highway 87
Bradford, AR 72020

Memorial Service

OCT 17. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Powell Funeral Home & Cremation Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Rachel Lin Petty



Powell Funeral Home & Cremation Services - October 15, 2025 at 01:32 PM

JP

“ Joe, I'm so sorry for your loss.
John

John Patterson - October 16, 2025 at 12:58 PM

CR

“ Coach, JoAnn, Robynn, Jaymie, Michael, Juli purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Rachel Lin Petty.



Coach, JoAnn, Robynn, Jaymie, Michael, Juli - October 15, 2025 at 08:21 AM

CR

“ Coach, JoAnn, Robynn, Jaymie, Michael, Juli planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rachel Lin Petty.

Coach, JoAnn, Robynn, Jaymie, Michael, Juli - October 15, 2025 at 08:21 AM

SK

“ Steve and Maggie Kuykendall purchased the Sweet Remembrance Spray for the family of Rachel Lin Petty.



Steve and Maggie Kuykendall - October 14, 2025 at 05:00 PM

HS

“ Sending love and prayers to you all.

Heather Stogner - October 14, 2025 at 09:59 AM

SH

“ Joe, I'm very sorry for your loss. You and your family are in my prayers.



Skot Harness - October 14, 2025 at 07:57 AM

SC

“ Scar purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Rachel Lin Petty.



Scar - October 13, 2025 at 10:28 PM

JR

“ *Jacob, Brenda, and Larry Roberson purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Rachel Lin Petty.*



Jacob, Brenda, and Larry Roberson - October 13, 2025 at 05:41 PM

RC

“ *Rachel was very caring and loving, she was like family. I appreciate and respect all the yrs she spent raising James and Robbie, they were better for it. She will be greatly missed and loved.*



Raymond & Debra Owens of Cave City - October 13, 2025 at 05:38 PM

DF

“ *Donald Beel & families purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Rachel Lin Petty.*



Donald Beel & families - October 13, 2025 at 01:34 PM