



## Gayla Suzanne Johnson Spears

December 27, 2010

Gayla Spears, of Minden, Louisiana, was born June 4, 1961 at Bad Kreuzmach, Germany, to Robert H. and Vicla Johnson. She passed away December 26, 2010 at Shreveport, Louisiana. She was preceded in death by her husband J. Michael Spears, grandparents, Bill Johnson, Ruby Nell Thompson, Claude Flewellen, Viva Flewellen, and Uncle Jimmy Johnson. She is survived by her parents, Bob and Vicla Johnson of Minden, Louisiana; sisters and brothers in-law, Susan and Jimmy Ashmore of Hot Springs, Arkansas, and Michele and Sam Bishop of Minden, Louisiana; nephews, Heath Ashmore of Star City, Arkansas, and Justin and Zane Bishop of Minden, Louisiana.

Visitation will be Thursday, December 30, 2010 from 6:00-8:00 p.m. at Harris Funeral Home in Morrilton, Arkansas. Funeral services will be 2:00 p.m. Friday, December 31, at the Harris Chapel. Burial will be at Antioch Cemetery by Harris Funeral Home of Morrilton. Pallbearers will be Bobby Hoyt, Ricky Hoyt, Steven Hoyt, Perry Windle, Steven Johnson and Dwight Dicus.

Gayla will be remembered by her friends for her energy, beauty and her zest for life. We believe she was met at the heavenly gates by a host of family and friends.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Gayla Suzanne Johnson Spears*

January 30, 2023 at 02:08 AM



“ *My best and closest friend. We'd talk on the phone, threw out the years. Our hearts Will hold her memory for ever. I'll never forget a single or day we'd talk and spend hours on the phone catching up we will be together again in heaven rest in peace forever young.... .missing you my best friend. Bitter sweet are our memories. Shine*

**Lisa Eytcheso** - September 11, 2020 at 12:32 AM



“ *Thoughts and prayers are with you.*

June 29, 2018 at 10:28 PM



“ *I have so many great memories of Gayla. We were such good friends many years ago, but sadly we lost touch. I didn't hear about her death until today when a mutual friend contacted me. Mr. and Mrs. Johnson and family please except my sincere condolences.*

June 29, 2018 at 10:28 PM



“ *Oh my lord, I did not know that she has past, so sorry to hear that, Wow!*

**Ben Schrottke** - June 29, 2018 at 10:28 PM

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*“ I am so sad to read this! I have been searching online for Gayla for years. We are friends from the 7th grade when I live in Perryville and kept in contact through high school. Last time we saw each other was in 1978. I loved Gayla! Prayers to all the family!*

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**Pama Stewart Hencerling** - June 29, 2018 at 10:28 PM



*“ I was saddened to hear of Gayla's passing. I lived in Perryville only for about 1 year and I can still remember those warm summer days spent playing up at her grandmother's house (we were only in 2nd grade then). I would visit Viva anytime I made it back to Perryville and would run into to Gayla from time to time. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you.*

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March 29, 2011 at 12:00 AM



*“ It was with a great sense of loss when I heard of Gayla's passing. I want to let the family know that you have my greatest sympathy, and my heart is truly saddened. I know that her passing will not only leave a void in your lives, but in the hearts of all those who knew her. She will always remain within our hearts. My sincere thoughts and prayers are with you now and always.*

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January 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM



*“ A loss for all that knew her and those that did not. Many great memories as one of her classmates for 12 years. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family.*

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January 06, 2011 at 12:00 AM



*“ I am shocked and saddened by this news. Gayla and I lost touch with each other long ago but at one time, we were best friends. I am so sorry for your loss and pray for your healing. This is the last thing I expected to see in the paper today.*

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January 05, 2011 at 12:00 AM



*“ I remember Gayla from Perryville High School. My thoughts and prayers are with you all during this time of loss.*

*Tina Spires Zachary*

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January 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM



*“ Bobby and Vicia. I am so sorry that I could not be with you today to celebrate the life of Gayla. I have tried to call, but your mailbox has been full. Please know that you are in our thoughts and prayers at this time. Love, Gay*

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January 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM



*“ We are so sorry for your loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers*

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January 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Sweet Bob and Vicla,  
We did not know your daughter but her picture is beautiful. We do know her Mom and Dad and We can only imagine the heartbreak, deep loss and lack of understanding as to why she had to leave you so young.  
Our God is our Refuge and our Strength.  
Know you are loved and People are Praying for you and Know you are "In HIS Grip"  
Craig and Mona Farley

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January 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ The day ahead will be hard.My prayers are with each one of you..May the Good Lord Hold You In The Hollow Of His Hand And The Wind Be At Your Back....God Bless, Jo

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January 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ There were so many things that flooded my mine when I heard the sad news about Gayla.So many wonderful memories of her and her family.I pray that time will heal your hearts.And faith will get you both through this very trying time. Your friend: Diana Eakin Daniel

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December 30, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ Bob and Vicla, I was so astonished when I sat down to read the paper a few minutes ago and to find that precious Gayla has been taken to be with those she loves. Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to you two and to your entire family. I praise God that she is now at peace. Just know that you are in our prayers and thoughts. We also pray that God will give you strength and courage for the days ahead.

Our love, L & J Spigener

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December 30, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ My thoughts and prayers go to all of you during this sorrow filled time. I have many fond memories of Gayla from high school and from class reunions. She was such a beautiful woman. Know that she is now at peace and that God's comfort will ease your loss as time goes on.

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December 30, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ Susan, my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. My prayer is for God to bless and comfort you and give you strength during this difficult time.

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December 30, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ Susan, I'm so sorry for your loss. Praying for you and your family.

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December 30, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ I'm sorry to hear of the loss of your family member and our dear friend of many years. Gayla was always a fun, loving and caring person who will be remembered by many. Bobby, Vicla, Susan and Michelle my prayers are with each one of you. I pray that God will comfort each one of you in these hard times. I love yall and God bless you.

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December 30, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ Bobby and Vicla

*I'm so sorry to hear this. Just know she is with your mom and mine. I have to share a memory with you. I remember Vicla giving her a birthday party when you lived in the trailer behind your mom and dads and I made her a crown for her to wear. She was to be queen for the day. Just know she is with God now and wearing that crown in his glory. You will be in our prayers for God to give you strenght and to lift you up during this most difficult time. We love yall.*

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December 30, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ Bobby, Vicla, Susan, Michelle, and family, I'm so sadden by Gayla's passing. I have so many wonderful childhood memories of Gayla. I know we were a handfull....of fun! My heart aches for all of you during this difficult time. May God watch over you all, and may you find comfort in his love. I can see Gayla driving that blue Volvo, or barrel racing on Tony the horse, and baking potatoes with dad's diesel fuel....I know that she is with God and she is smiling her beautiful smile....she is at peace. Friends 4-Ever!

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December 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ Susan, I'm so sorry for your loss. I pray the Lord comforts you and your family.

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December 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ Bob, Vicla, and family, Although there are really no words at a time like this, please know this brings all the sympathy that friendship can bestow. We are so glad Gayla came into our lives. Very few people have the gifts Gayla had--beauty, great personality; fun-loving spirit, and so much more. Who could help loving her. We remember well the last time we saw her--she made a special effort to come visit with us at church. I never saw her that she didn't have a smile. She was blessed with a magnetic personality. Our prayer is that Jesus will hold your hand and comfort you in this very sad time. We love you. Ken and Glo Fryar  
P.S. I also remember how she loved her dog. I always say people who love God's little creatures are very special.

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December 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ Vicla, Bobby and Family,

So sorry to hear of your loss. Our thoughts are with you. Carroll and Kathy Allison

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December 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ My mind is flooded with memories of Gayla from Grade School to High School but what I remember most is her smile and her laugh. My Heart aches for you and her. I'm so sorry, God Bless you all.

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December 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ Bobby, Vicla, Susan and Michele I am deeply sorry for your loss. It seems like only yesterday that our girls were just small children playing together. Your family is in my thoughts and prayers that God will comfort you through this difficulty time.

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December 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ My thoughts and prayers are with the family. Gayla was my classmate and my friend. I have so many memories of her.

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December 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ Susan I am very sorry for your family's loss. She will always be a part of you in spirit and memory. I pray that the peace of God that surpasses all understanding, will keep your hearts and minds during this difficult time. You are heavy on my heart this week, but your faith is strong and will carry you through!

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December 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ Susan, I pray the good memories of your sister will always be close to your heart. My sympathies to your family during this difficult time.

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December 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ So sorry to hear of your loss. May God bless you all with comfort and peace in the days ahead and know that you all in my thoughts and prayers.

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December 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *Vicla and family, So very sorry to hear about the death of your Beautiful Daughter "Gayla". Just wanted you to know my Thoughts and Prayers are with you at this time of great sorry. May God Bless each Member of your Family. (I am Naomi's sister).  
With all of my Sympathy,  
Juanita Burns Green*

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December 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *Bobby nad Vicla...I havnt seen u guys since you guys have moved away...but i remember some fun times we had when i was married to carol...over 20 years ago...didnt know your daughter...but i remember both of u guys well...she was a beautiful woman and am sure she will be missed by all...just saying im sorry for your familys loss and will remeember u guys in my prayers*

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December 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dear Bobby and Vicla, Our hearts and prayers are with you as you mourn the loss of your sweet daughter. May you be blessed with God's peace and love.*

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December 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *I just cannot believe this beautiful woman has left us. There's not hardly a childhood or Perryville Mustang memory that does not have Gayla in it. We were such a close class of '79 and this has hit us so hard. It's going to be such a sad New Year sweet girl without you here, you are going to be so missed. Vicla, Bobby and Susan my heartfelt thoughts are with you. We all had so much fun at ya'lls house up on Perry Mountain. So sorry*

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December 28, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ Susan,

*My heart goes out to you and your family. You will be in my thoughts and prayers.*

*Jennifer*

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December 28, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are with your family during this time. I am so sorry for your loss.*

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December 28, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *Susan, you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. May God cradle you in His loving arms to comfort you all.*

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December 28, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *Susan, May God comfort and bless you and your family during this difficult time.*

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December 28, 2010 at 12:00 AM

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“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you, Susan and your family for the loss of your dear sister. Only the peace of God can sustain you through such a tragedy and I pray the peace will surround you and your family during this difficult time. Again, I am so sorry for your loss.*

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**Donna Hinshaw** - December 28, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *Susan,*

*You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers.*

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December 28, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *Bobby, Vicla, Susan and Michele:  
My heart goes out to all of you during this time. Words cannot express the sadness that all of us our feeling on learning of Gayla's passing. Know that she is remembered with very fond, fun and loving thoughts that we shared with her growing up. She'll always be a beauty queen full of spirit. We love you all and you're in our thoughts and prayers during this time and the days to come. With love, Donna*

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December 28, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *Oh what a wonderful childhood we all had together. We all loved each other so very much. The hours we spent driving our parents crazy was such fun. Gayla will always be one of my best memories. I know each person she met will be blessed with special memories of her. God bless all of you and my prayers will always be with you*

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December 28, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ So very sorry to hear about Gayla. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you.

Love,  
Bill and Sandra

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December 28, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ Vicla,Bobby and family I am truly sorry to hear about Gayla this is a great loss and my prayers go out to you all. She was a beautiful girl. If there is any thing I can do let me know.

Love Pat

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May 28, 2010 at 12:00 AM