



*Yvonda Loftis Gragg*

**Jan. 11, 1950 - June 12, 2024**

Yvonda Loftis Gragg, 74, passed on Wednesday, June 12, 2024. She was a devoted wife to the love of her life and husband of 54 years, Cecil "Ray" Gragg, and beloved Momma, Mawmaw, and "Sister" to her family and friends, blood, and non-blood relations. The strength, love, and commitment to those she cherished in life carried many through their roughest storms and her unwavering, unconditional love of her family instilled a sense of safety and belonging to all blessed enough to be touched by her presence. However, Yvonda's greatest joy, love, and gift was that she never failed to open her heart and home raising her children, grandchildren, great children, and others in need of shelter and love. 1 Corinthians 13:13 And now there remain: faith [abiding trust in God and His promises], hope [confident expectation of eternal salvation], love [unselfish love for others growing out of God's love for me], these three [the choicest graces]; but the greatest of these is love." Her ability to love is the greatest gift she leaves behind and will forever live in the hearts of all who knew her.

Yvonda ("Sister") was born on January 11, 1950, to the late Arthur Clifton Loftis, Sr and Gladys Elliott Loftis Silver. During her life, she worked as a Certified Nursing Assistant at Valdese General Hospital, worked in retail at Kmart, and prior to her declining health, a teller at Telco Credit Union. She was an active member of Lighthouse Ministries and loved her church family as her own. Yvonda loved

spending time with her children, grandchildren, family and friends, her flower gardens, cooking for loved ones, family get-togethers, and watching ALL her babies grow and blossom into the amazing individuals they are today and are yet to become.

The family would like to express sincere appreciation to all the family and friends who cooked meals during our mother's illness, visitations, tears, hugs, and the time spent just listening when we needed to understand. In addition, they wish to thank the staff at Amorem Hospice for taking such loving care of our most precious gift and for carrying family and friends through the difficult task of saying "Goodbye".

A celebration of Yvonda's life will be held at 2 p.m., Saturday, June 29, 2024 at Lighthouse Ministries.

Sossoman Funeral Home and Crematory Center is assisting the family with the arrangements.

# Tribute Wall



Fly high Grandma

–Grace Church



Yvonda you were the sweetest person and my mom's best friend for so many years. I will always hold you In My heart and will miss you just like mom. I know you were ready to go home to the lord and I am sure you and mom are up in heaven singing like ol times. And I am praying for comfort and Grace and for the lords hand to be with the family.

–Teresa Harwood 8288032484



She was like a second Mom, a sister, and the truest of loyal friends to me all rolled into one! I could call on her anytime day or night for whatever I needed and she would be there especially in prayer for whatever was going on! She loved big and with her whole heart! I miss you so much already and I miss being able to just text you or call you but I have peace in the fact that I know I'll see you again one day! Until then my beautiful friend FLY HIGH!

–Ginger Murphy

She will be remembered fondly and with prayers for all her family and friends,  
may God give you courage and strength to live each day .

–Patti Rhyne

Although it has been awhile since I last saw her she was always in my thoughts.  
God bless her family!

–Linda Lori's Kroll



The earth lost an angel but heaven gained a great woman.

–Blake Patton



Moma, I will always remember the first time you called me  
son.. it was the first time we meet. Forever in my heart, you  
will always be...

–Kerry Edgerton

So very sorry to hear this she was a friend and a wonderful woman of God

–Nancy Webb



We miss you so much. A wonderful wife, mother,  
grandmother, mother n law, sister in Christ. Thankful for  
Gods promise we will see you again.

–Stephanie Gragg



I so sorry to hear about the passing of Yvonda. She was an amazing lady and I feel lucky to have known her. Sending love and prayers to the family.

–Amy Olsen