



## Lena Frances Delong

August 13, 1951 - January 17, 2023

Lena Frances Delong, age 71, departed this life for her Heavenly home on January 17, 2023.

Lena was born August 13, 1951, the daughter of the late Berlin Frances Manning and the late Elsie Irene Ferguson. In addition to her parents, she is preceded in death by two daughters, Belinda Jo Duncan and Krishna Dawn Wipert, one brother-in-law David Woodrow Thompson, her maternal grandparents, Roy and Hazel Wright, and her paternal grandparents, Bill Young Manning and Nulah Stafford.

Lena is survived by her loving husband, William (Bill) Delong; one daughter, Erica (Royce) Collett; one sister, Katie Thompson; a son-in-law, Mark Horton; grandchildren, Cameron Griffith (Kylan), Kaleb Wipert, Brayden and Blake Collett; one great-grandson, Braxton Griffith; two sister-in-laws, Carolyn Delong and Sandy Delong; and her caregiver, Etta Moore.

Lena was a 1970 graduate of Sandy Hook High School and received her business degree from Rowan County Vocational School. She worked at various positions including, the Elliott County Board of Education, Elliott County Sheriff's Office, Elliott County Judges Office, Little Sandy Correctional Complex, and Robo's Country Store. Lena gave her heart and life to the Lord in January 2008 and attended First Baptist Church and Hope Enterprise

Baptist Church, both in Sandy Hook, KY.

However, her most important and joyful occupation was a wife, mother, sister, grandmother, great-grandmother, daughter, granddaughter, aunt and friend. She loved her family with all her heart and that love was returned fiercely by all who knew her. She will be sadly missed by all of her family and friends.

Funeral Services will be held 1:00 p.m. Friday, January 20, 2023 at Whitt & Sons Chapel. Brother Kendall Brainard & Elder Roy Collett will be officiating. Burial will follow at the Elliott County Memory Gardens in Sandy Hook, Kentucky.

Friends may visit from 11:00 a.m. Friday, January 20, 2023 until the service hour at Whitt & Sons Chapel in Sandy Hook, Kentucky.

Pallbearers will be Royce Collett, Cameron Griffith, Kaleb Wipert, Mark Horton, Mike Copley, Brandon Griffith, Scott Moore and David Wright.

Honorary Pallbearers will be Brayden and Blake Collett, Braxton Griffith, Ethan Copley, Ian Griffith, Mason and Maverick Moore.

# Cemetery Details

## Elliott County Memory Gardens

Elliott Co, KY

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 20. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Whitt & Sons Funeral Home  
1260 North Ky 7  
Post Office Box 704  
Sandy Hook, KY 41171  
(606) 738-9600  
<https://www.whittandsonsfuneralhome.com>

## Funeral Service

JAN 20. 1:00 PM (ET)

Whitt & Sons Funeral Home  
1260 North Ky 7  
Post Office Box 704  
Sandy Hook, KY 41171  
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# Tribute Wall

LP

“ Lynn & Angie Porter lit a candle in memory of  
Lena Frances DeLong



Lynn & Angie Porter - January 19, 2023 at 06:58 PM

SS

“ Love & prayers.



Shane & Keshia Skaggs - January 19, 2023 at 01:38 PM

GF

“ Gary & Helen B. Fannin sent a virtual gift in  
memory of Lena Frances DeLong



Gary & Helen B. Fannin - January 19, 2023 at 12:52 PM

GA

Sincere condolences to the entire family with God's comfort !

Gary - January 19, 2023 at 12:54 PM

BH

“ BRIDGETT HOWARD lit a candle in memory of Lena Frances DeLong



BRIDGETT HOWARD - January 19, 2023 at 08:04 AM

DL

“ So sad! Lena was always such a nice, friendly person who always had a smile on her face! Prayers!



Deitra Lyons - January 18, 2023 at 11:23 PM

KS

“ So very sorry for your loss! Prayers for the family!



Karen & JT Stephens - January 18, 2023 at 08:50 PM

CH

“ Crystal Howard lit a candle in memory of Lena Frances DeLong



Crystal Howard - January 18, 2023 at 08:06 PM

CH

*I'm so very sorry for your family's loss love and prayers for your family*

**Crystal Howard** - January 18, 2023 at 08:07 PM

JG

“ *So sorry for your loss. Lena was a special lady. Prayers for you all.* ”



**John and Donna Gillis** - January 18, 2023 at 07:02 PM

JC

“ *Joe & Garnett Cassell lit a candle in memory of Lena Frances Delong* ”



**Joe & Garnett Cassell** - January 18, 2023 at 06:52 PM

CR

“ *Lena loved her family....* ”



**cindy Redwine** - January 18, 2023 at 06:14 PM

VB

“ *Vergia Branham lit a candle in memory of  
Lena Frances Delong*



Vergia Branham - January 18, 2023 at 06:08 PM

VF

“ *Vester & Carolyn Fultz lit a candle in memory  
of Lena Frances Delong*



Vester & Carolyn Fultz - January 18, 2023 at 05:35 PM

SK

“ *Fly High With The Angels Sweet Friend  
.....Prayers for her Family*



Sue Lewis Parnley and Donnie Keeton - January 18, 2023 at 05:20 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of  
Lena Frances Delong.*



January 18, 2023 at 04:35 PM

SW

“ *Sheila Wilson lit a candle in memory of Lena Frances Delong*



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**Sheila Wilson** - January 18, 2023 at 03:21 PM

SW

*So many good memories of Lena , we've laughed and cried together many times . She was a good friend and she will be missed by all . I'll meet you in Heaven one day my friend ❤️*

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**Sheila Wilson** - January 18, 2023 at 03:23 PM

LM

“ *What a precious woman. One of my fondest memories of her is when she babysit my son, Layden. He was about 6 months old and so cute himself, when I would drop him off to her she would say every time, "I could kiss his jaws off his face," and she did. She was a very, very special and dear to friend to me and I will truly miss her. I will always cherish our talks and laughs. Erica, please know that I love you very much, and I will pray for peace and comfort that only God can give to you and your family during this very sad time. What a precious soul, Lena will be missed tremendously.*

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**Leta Martin** - January 18, 2023 at 01:25 PM

GI

“ *Lena was always so good to me and my kids. She loved her family with all of her heart. I know she will be missed by so many.*

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**Glinda Ison** - January 18, 2023 at 01:06 PM

NA

“ *Tim & Nancy Howard*



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**nancy** - January 18, 2023 at 12:28 PM

JA

“ *Janie lit a candle in memory of Lena Frances Delong*



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**Janie** - January 18, 2023 at 11:42 AM

KJ

“ *Kim Johnson lit a candle in memory of Lena Frances Delong*



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**Kim Johnson** - January 18, 2023 at 06:23 AM

CD

“ *Carolyn Delong lit a candle in memory of Lena Frances Delong*



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**Carolyn Delong** - January 18, 2023 at 01:29 AM

CR

“ *Cindy Redwine lit a candle in memory of Lena Frances Delong*



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**cindy Redwine** - January 17, 2023 at 11:18 PM

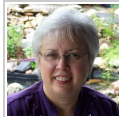


“ *Brenda Haney lit a candle in memory of Lena Frances Delong*



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**Brenda Haney** - January 17, 2023 at 10:44 PM



*John 11:25-26*

*Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; and whoever lives by believing in me will never die.*

*Prayers for the family.  
Love ya! Roger & Brenda*

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**Brenda Haney** - January 17, 2023 at 10:52 PM

BS

“ *Brenda Sheets lit a candle in memory of Lena Frances Delong*



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**Brenda Sheets** - January 17, 2023 at 10:24 PM

SW

“ So sorry to hear of Lena's passing. Such a wonderful woman & beautiful person. Our love & prayers are with you Ericka, as well as your family 💔  
Love, Corey, Abbey, & Samantha

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**Samantha Wright** - January 17, 2023 at 08:22 PM

EC

“ Ella Carter lit a candle in memory of Lena Frances Delong



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**Ella Carter** - January 17, 2023 at 05:46 PM

SP

“ Susan Preston lit a candle in memory of Lena Frances Delong



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**Susan Preston** - January 17, 2023 at 05:34 PM

VE

“ Fly high with the Angels sweet lady!!  
Prayers for all the family



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**Vallire Elliott** - January 17, 2023 at 04:29 PM

LW

“ Larry And Barb Whitt lit a candle in memory of  
Lena Frances Delong



Larry and Barb Whitt - January 17, 2023 at 04:16 PM

JR

“ Bill, I'm so sorry!! Lena will be missed❤️



Julie Richardson - January 17, 2023 at 04:14 PM

PB

So sorry to here of Lena passing prayers for all her loved one

Phyllis bays - January 17, 2023 at 09:00 PM

JF

“ Much love and many prayers for all the family!



Jimmy & Kathy Adkins and family - January 17, 2023 at 04:02 PM

VF

“ Vickie & David Fox lit a candle in memory of  
Lena Frances Delong



Vickie & David Fox - January 17, 2023 at 03:25 PM

MM

“ Melissa Maxie lit a candle in memory of Lena  
Frances Delong



melissa maxie - January 17, 2023 at 03:02 PM

JP

“ Joey Preston lit a candle in memory of Lena  
Frances Delong



Joey Preston - January 17, 2023 at 02:49 PM

SL

“ Sandy Lewis lit a candle in memory of Lena  
Frances Delong



Sandy Lewis - January 17, 2023 at 12:43 PM