



Jennifer Van Meter Chastain

May 18, 1964 - May 21, 2026

Jennifer Van Meter Chastain, 62, of Doerun, Georgia, passed away peacefully on May 21, 2026, after a courageous battle with glioblastoma, with her devoted husband by her side.

Born on May 18, 1964, Jennifer lived a life centered on love, family, loyalty, and caring for others. She was the kind of person who always put others before herself. Friends and family often said you were lucky if you knew Jennifer because she made people feel accepted and cared for exactly as they were.

Her compassion reached far beyond her family and friends. She once performed CPR on a fellow employee and helped save his life. She also had a special love for animals and never went anywhere without food in her car to feed stray cats and dogs she came across along the way.

Jennifer loved music, concerts, fishing, nature walks, cooking, and spending time at Mexico Beach. She especially loved family gatherings, holidays, and traditions. Nothing meant more to her than being surrounded by the people she loved. Her greatest joy was her grandson, Collin Hill, who held a special place in her heart.

She carried the loss of her beloved son, Sheldon Nicholas “Nick” Hill, with her

every day and loved him endlessly.

Jennifer was preceded in death by her father, Carl Benton Van Meter, her mother, Gayla Sue Van Meter, and her son, Sheldon Nicholas "Nick" Hill.

She is survived by her devoted husband, Luther Cleveland "Chip" Chastain III, who cared for her with unwavering love and devotion throughout her illness, her grandson, Collin Hill, her brothers David Van Meter and Bert Van Meter (Candy), sister-in-law Jenny Van Meter, nephews Turner and Zane Van Meter, nieces Sarah, Emily, Bekah, and Natalie Van Meter, sisters-in-law Connie Chastain Lambert and Vicki Chastain McGuyrt, and many beloved cousins and extended family members.

Jennifer also leaves behind her best friend, Dana Sellers, dear friends Ronnie Parrish and Kerri Kelley, and beloved cousins Stephanie, Jerry, and Stephen Suess, whose love and support meant so much to her and her family.

Jennifer will be remembered for her strength, kindness, fierce love for her family, and the way she always showed up for others without hesitation. She leaves behind memories that will continue to live in the hearts of everyone who knew and loved her.

Graveside Memorial Services will be held at 2:00pm, Saturday May 30th, 2026 at Laurel Hill Cemetery in Thomasville, GA.

Upcoming Events

Graveside Service

MAY 30. 2:00 PM.

Laurel Hill Cemetery ~ 600-700 East Jackson Street (US Hwy. 319 N.) Thomasville, Georgia
31792

Tribute Wall

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“ Dear Family of Jennifer: I have fond memories of our years in school together. She was my best friend at the time. You could trust her with anything. You were safe with Jennifer. The only time I ever skipped school was with her. We rode out to Glen Oak Turf Farm, I think was the name, picked up something and came back for our next class. She was my maid of honor and I have always cherished the friendship we during our early years. We soon drifted apart, but my heart was forever tied to this sweet person. My deepest condolences to all her family.

Christi Dixon - 13 minutes ago