



Meredith "Billie" Turner Smith

July 25, 2014

Meredith "Billie" Turner Smith is at peace and rejoicing with her Lord and Savior as of July 25, 2014. Billie was born in LaGrange, Georgia on February 23, 1917 to William H. Turner, Jr. and Hazel Vorus Turner. She is predeceased by her two sisters, Hazel Turner Kump and Martha Turner Smith. As a young girl, she excelled academically and graduated from LaGrange High School at the age of sixteen. She then attended Agnes Scott Women's College on a full academic scholarship. A member of Phi Mu Sorority, Billie graduated from the University of Georgia as an English Major with a Master's Degree in Education. She was an avid supporter and enthusiast of UGA sports and academics, remaining true to her Alma Mater. While attending college, Billie met her husband, the late Henry Carson Smith, Jr. They raised three children together and lived in Atlanta and Buford, Georgia over the course of their marriage. She taught school at Buford Elementary for nine years and instilled her lifelong love of learning in her children and grandchildren. As a prominent member of her community, Billie served as President of the Stonehedge Garden Club and member of the Daughters of the American Revolution. She was a dedicated member of Northside United Methodist Church, witnessing to many her passion of living and learning through scripture. One of a lost generation and true Southern Lady, she held dear the ideas of tradition, family, love and religion. All those who knew her will miss her passion, loving kindness, and quick wit. Billie is survived by her three children: Henry Carson Smith, III (Michael); Meredith Smith Nicholson (Norman); and Sterling Smith

McLaughlin; 8 grandchildren: Tracey Vansant Krawford (Scott); Meredith Vansant Desrosiers (Tim); Henry Carson Smith, IV (Amy); Sterling Nicholson Ivey (Chip); Leslie Nicholson Mitchell (Steve); Walter Harrison Smith (Amanda); Margaret Blaylock Murphy (Patrick); and Samuel Turner McLaughlin; 18 great-grandchildren: Taylor Vansant; Riley and Reese Krawford; Emmie and Addie Desrosiers; Avery, Anna Cate, and Lily Smith; Patrick, Ansley, and Katherine Ivey; Walt, Skylar, Macalister, Sadie, and Samuel Smith; Patrick Murphy; Mac Mitchell; nephews and nieces, extended family, and friends. A Celebration in Life Memorial will be held at 11:00 a.m., Wednesday, July 30, 2014 at Northside United Methodist Church with a reception to follow. Visitation will be held from 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Flanigan Funeral Home in Buford, Georgia. Graveside service will be held at 4:00 p.m. at Broadlawn Memorial Gardens in Buford, GA with Rev. Dr. Sondra R. Jones and Rev. Hazel Glover officiating. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to Northside United Methodist Church, 2799 Northside Drive, N.W., Atlanta, GA 30327 or to Buford First United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 329, Buford, GA 30515 in memory of Meredith Turner Smith.

Tribute Wall



“ Meredith "Billie" Turner Smith

November 08, 2022 at 07:37 PM



“ Just learned of Billie's death. So many good memories growing up as Sterling's friend and frequent visits to her house. Glad I saw her and Sterling at OK Café several years ago.

Ann McLain Smith - August 02, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ I am so sorry about Billy's death. She was in my Disciple class for many years and was a delight to be with. Since then I have seen her at Saint Anne's on Fridays when I go to get my hair done. She seemed fine just 2 weeks ago and was always cheerful and we would have a good chat about old times at Northside Church.. I will miss her very much. She was a delightful person. In Christ's love,
Betty Wallace

Betty Wallace - July 29, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Sterling and family,

Mrs. Smith was a very special person and I have good memories of her over the last several years. I remember going to dinner with Mrs. Smith and Sterling and being so nervous about my table manners. Our deepest sympathy from Kyle and me to all the family.

Love, Gayle

Gayle Bryan - July 29, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DP

“ We are so very sorry to hear of the loss of your mother. Praying for Gods comfort for you thinking of you with love

Donna and Larry Puckett - July 28, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SJ

“ CARSON AND FAMILY SO SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS. SHE LIVED A VERY LONG LIFE. SHE WAS A LOVELY LADY. ALL OF YOU WILL BE IN MY THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS. WHEN YOU LOSE YOUR MOTHER YOU HAVE LOST YOUR BEST FRIEND. I LOST MY MOTHER SEVERAL YEARS AGO.IT IS HARD BUT THEY ARE IN A MUCH BETTER PLACE . NO MORE PAIN MAY GOD BLESS ALL OF YOU. SHIRLEY

SHIRLEY JONES - July 28, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ Mrs. Smith was a wonderful example of class and dignity. I saw her weekly at church and at school. She was a wonderful person and even better mother to her children. I am sad that she is gone but understand she is in a better place.

John Wages - July 27, 2014 at 12:00 AM