



## Dixie Roberts

April 13, 1929 - December 1, 2012

The home going celebration services for Dixie Finley Roberts, 83, of Oxford will be Monday December 3 at 11:00 AM at First Baptist Church of Oxford with Reverend Terry Bostick and Reverend Buddy Nelson officiating. Burial will follow in Forestlawn Gardens Cemetery with Miller Funeral Home in charge. The family will receive friends at the First Baptist Church from 3:00 to 5:00 PM on Sunday, December 2.

Dixie peacefully slipped into eternity at home on December 1, 2012 following a brief illness.

Dixie is preceded in death by her husband, Lester, of 43 years. She was also preceded by her parents, Elder B.B. "Bruce" and Lucille Finley of Lineville, AL. Left to cherish her memories are two daughters, Jan Roberts of Oxford, Carol Stewart (Jimmy) of Alexander City; two sons, Don Roberts (Lori) of Vestavia, Steve Roberts (Carol) of Montgomery; and five grandchildren, Benjamin, Eric, Samuel, Anna and Reid Roberts. Other family members include two brothers, Dr. Wayne Finley (Sara) of Mountain Brook and Robert Finley (Myra) of Montgomery and many other relatives and special friends.

Pallbearers will be Benjamin Roberts, Eric Roberts, Samuel Roberts, Buford Parker, Ted Embry, Gowan Embry, John Austin, Alton Craft, and Josh Craft. Dixie was a native of Clay County, AL and a resident of Oxford for the past 59 years. She earned a teaching degree from Jacksonville State Teacher's College. She retired as a science teacher from the Oxford City Schools in 1987. After retiring from teaching, Dixie wanted to continue to help people.

She said that volunteering for her was a key to enjoying living. Her prayer everyday was that God would give her someone to help. She also enjoyed gardening and sharing with others. She was a founding member of the Oxford Meals on Wheels. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Oxford where she taught Sunday School, participated in WMU, LLL club, the homebound ministry, the senior choir, and many other programs. She was a member of the Cheaha Acres Women's Club, a board member of Interfaith Ministries, and a board member of the City of Oxford Senior Citizen Center and others.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be directed to the First Baptist Church of Oxford Building Fund, The Alabama Baptist Children's Home - Friendship House, or the American Cancer Society Ovarian Cancer Fund.