



Mrs. Katie Phillips

November 8, 1930 - May 14, 2023

OXFORD – Katie Phillips left her temporary home on Sunday, May 14 after 92 ½ years to enter her eternal home with her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. We are confident she is standing on Holy Ground. Celebration of her Life will be on Thursday, May 18 at First Baptist Church of Oxford at Noon. A private graveside for family will follow the service. The family will receive friends from 10:00 – 11:30 on Thursday. Leading her celebration of life will be Dr. Jim Auchmuty, Rev. Gary Cornelius, Dr. Mark Holbrook and Keith O’Dell.

She leaves behind to cherish her memory her 3 daughters, Susan (Bobby) Haynes, Kathy (Keith) O’Dell and Jan (Sean) Hayes. Her precious grandchildren are Taylor (Beth) Hayes, Kyle (Lauren) O’Dell, Graham (Destiny) Talley, Katie (Jake) Lee, Tanner Hayes and Ashley (Cody) Newberry. The joys of her life were her great-grandchildren, Nora Kate Lee, Byrdie and Sophie Hayes, Cooper Newberry, Gracie Vaughn, Mayer Sanders and more great grands arriving this year. She was dearly loved by her niece and nephew, Phyllis Greene and Richard Strickland. Preceding her in death is her husband of 54 years, Don Phillips; her parents, Arnold and Eva Graham and her sister, Glennie Strickland.

Katie was an active member of First Baptist Church Oxford where she served faithfully as a Sunday School teacher to the Charity Sunday School class and ministered to the Senior Adults in her church. She graduated from Howard

College (Samford University) and taught physical education and special education for many years. She was a pastor's wife and filled that role with such love and kindness. She had a servant's heart and continued to minister to others until her last breath. She was the definition of a true friend, maintaining many friendships through the years. Her passion was sending cards and connecting through phone calls. There are many people who will miss receiving those cards and hearing her voice. Hundreds of cakes were made and shared with others over the years.

Pallbearers will be her grandsons, Taylor, Kyle and Graham; nephew, Richard; and dear friends, Greg Hollon and Greg Hethcox. Honorary pallbearers will be members of her Sunday School class, who she loved dearly.

In lieu of flowers, please send donations to First Baptist Church Ministry Fund, 95 E Oak St, Oxford, AL 36203 to continue the ministries she was so passionate about. If Katie could have one last conversation with you, she would want to tell you about her Jesus. In her memory, please listen to the song, My Jesus by Anne Wilson and she would say Thank You and I Love You.

Miller Funeral Home, Oxford will direct the service.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 18. 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

First Baptist Church of Oxford
95 East Oak St
Oxford, AL 36203

Celebration of Life

MAY 18. 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ Susan and family, I am so sorry to learn of your mother's passing..Praying for comfort for y'all during this difficult time.
Teresa Porter

Teresa Porter - May 18, 2023 at 10:24 AM

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Thanks Teresa

Susan - May 19, 2023 at 07:58 PM

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“ I worked with Katie at Wellborn High School and admired her so much. She was the definition of a true southern lady, and she was always so kind and thoughtful. We shared a birthday, and she never missed sending me a card with her own personal note. My November 8th will never be the same.

Ruth Mitchell - May 16, 2023 at 05:41 PM

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“ Aunt Katie we love you and will miss you so much. You were certainly an example of a life lived for Christ and serving Him. You touched so many lives while here on earth. Now onto your eternal home in Heaven where you were reunited with all your family and so many friends. Goodbye for now but I will see you again in our heavenly home. Love you Phyllis

phyllis greene - May 16, 2023 at 04:25 PM