



Katherine Riley Patrick

April 5, 1929 - December 14, 2023

Katherine Riley Patrick, 94, of Laurel, born April 5, 1929, passed away December 14, 2023. She graduated from Laurel High School and attended Ole Miss as a pre-med student where she met her future husband, A.W. “Pat” Patrick. Married in December 1947, they later opened Patrick’s Pharmacy together in Laurel.

Katherine was active in church work, whether at Kingston United Methodist or First United Methodist in Laurel, which she attended later in life. Not only did she work beside Pat at the drugstore, they also gardened together until Pat was 80 years old, regularly canning and freezing tomatoes, butter beans, homemade pickles, corn, and okra. She also spent hours working in her flower gardens. She was an excellent cook in addition to being a great baker, making wedding cakes for several family members.

After closing Patrick’s Pharmacy, Katherine and Pat attended JCJC at night where Katherine took painting classes, while Pat enrolled in courses in pottery and art history. Known to her family as “Kitty,” she continued painting well into her 70s. They purchased a travel trailer and enjoyed vacationing and visiting family. She enjoyed keeping her grandsons before and after school and watching them play baseball from t-ball through high school.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Edgar and Lucille Riley; her

sisters, Dorothy Jean Riley and Carolyn Riley Brent; special family friend Amorita "Doodle" Gordon; and Pat Patrick, her husband of over 60 years.

She is survived by her sister, Betty Riley of Laurel; her daughter, Cecelia Luter (Jay) of Laurel; her son, Don Patrick (Irene) of Apex, North Carolina; three grandchildren: Chris Luter (Rebecca) of Germantown, Tennessee, Scott Luter (Laura) of Indianapolis, Indiana, and Matthew Luter of Jackson, Mississippi; and five great-grandchildren: Emily Luter, Nicholas Luter, Elizabeth Luter, Elliot Gellin-Luter and Natalie Gellin-Luter.

Visitation will be held from 5-8 p.m. at Memory Chapel on Tuesday, December 19, 2023 with funeral services on Wednesday, December 20, 2023 at 2 p.m. at Laurel First United Methodist Church. Burial will be in Hickory Grove Cemetery. Rev. Daniel Hathorne will officiate.

Pallbearers will be Jay Luter, Chris Luter, Scott Luter, Matthew Luter, Emily Luter, and Nicholas Luter. Honorary pallbearers will be Don Patrick and Elizabeth Luter.

To sign the online guest book, visit: www.memorychapel Laurel.com

Cemetery Details

Hickory Grove Cemetery

Intersection of 15th Street and Old Bay
Springs Rd
Laurel, MS 39440

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **19**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Memory Chapel Funeral Home
3100 Audubon Drive
P. O. Box 674
Laurel, MS 39440
(601) 428-5235
memorychapel@comcast.net
<https://www.memorychapellaurel.com/>

Service

DEC **20**. 2:00 PM (CT)

First United Methodist Church
420 N 5th Avenue
Laurel, MS 39440

Tribute Wall

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“ Cecilia - so sorry to hear about your Mother's passing. Sending big hugs your way.

Patricia Parker Apperson - December 18, 2023 at 03:17 PM

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Sorry to hear of Aunt Katherine's passing. It's difficult to let them go, so my thoughts are with you.

Linda Patrick LeClerc - January 01, 2024 at 03:08 PM



“ Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Katherine Riley Patrick.



December 18, 2023 at 01:58 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Katherine Riley Patrick.



December 18, 2023 at 11:37 AM

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“ St. Andrew's English Department planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Katherine Riley Patrick.

St. Andrew's English Department - December 18, 2023 at 11:37 AM