



Leslie Sullivan Butler

September 3, 1922 - October 25, 2018

Few people lived a more exemplary and meaningful life than Leslie Sullivan Butler of Mize. She passed away Thursday, October 25, 2018, at her home surrounded by family.

Leslie was a strong person, even at birth, weighing 1 ½ pounds born to Elias and Fannie Sullivan.

She was the first of nine infants to survive. Leslie's determination and will to live continued throughout her ninety-six years.

Leslie enjoyed poetry, gardening, and cooking. She had an open-door policy and insisted that anyone who visited her home share a meal. Friends and family often requested her famous chicken and dumplings.

Honest, kind, and hardworking, Leslie was a well-respected and loved member of the community. Along with her husband, J. B., she spent many years running a country store, raising six children and devoting many years to Taylorsville Manufacturing as a clothing inspector.

Leslie was a dedicated Christian and delighted in reading and studying the Bible. Her favorite pastime was playing beloved hymns. Because of Leslie's love for music and Christ, she served as pianist at Providence Baptist Church in Mize until the age of 92.

Leslie will be remembered for her unending devotion to family and friends, abundant kindness, unmatched hospitality, and gentle spirit.

Leslie was preceded in death by her parents, Elias and Fannie Sullivan; her husband, J. B. Butler; her sister, Lennie Thornton of Richland; and her son-in-law, Bobby Bradshaw of Polkville. She is survived by six children: Doris Lofton (Johnny) of Petal; Jean Clark (Bill) of Brandon; James O. Butler (Treta) of Mize; Terry Butler (Dianne) of Mize; Joyce Bradshaw of Polkville; Pleshia Wing of Mize; sixteen grandchildren; twenty-seven great grandchildren; five great great grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews; and her sister, Christine Roberts of Gulfport.

Visitation will take place at Memory Chapel in Laurel on Saturday, October 27, at 12 p.m. with the funeral service immediately following in the chapel at 2 p.m. Burial will be at the Providence Baptist Church Cemetery in Mize.

To sign the online guest book, visit www.memorychapellaurel.com.

Cemetery Details

Providence Baptist Church Cemetery

Smith County Road 83
Mize, MS 39116

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **27**. 12:00 PM (CT)

Memory Chapel Funeral Home
3100 Audubon Drive
P. O. Box 674
Laurel, MS 39440
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memorychapel@comcast.net
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Service

OCT **27**. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ I want to express my sincere sympathy and assurance of prayers to the family of Leslie Butler. Although I was not the privileged one to have known Mrs. Butler, I am the privileged one to now work with her fine daughter, Jean, who is a reflection of her dear mother. May the gift of faith, the blessing of memories and the love of friends give you solace and peace at this time of loss. God bless you all and may God give your dear mother eternal peace in heaven. Love,
Sister M. Dorothea

Sister M. Dorothea - October 30, 2018 at 12:55 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Leslie Sullivan Butler.



October 26, 2018 at 03:38 PM

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“ Dan Davis and your Southern Research Group Family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Leslie Sullivan Butler.



Dan Davis and your Southern Research Group Family -
October 26, 2018 at 03:18 PM