



Ruth Evelyn Byrd

May 9, 1928 - November 30, 2012

Ruth Evelyn Byrd, age 84, of Laurel, died peacefully on November 30, 2012, at Jones County Rest Home. Ruth was born May 9, 1928 in Beaumont, the daughter of Agner McDonald and Ava McDonald Carstens.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, December 8, 2012 at Memory Chapel Funeral Home with burial to follow at Ellisville Cemetery. Rev. Andy Stoddard will officiate.

Ruth was dedicated to her family and her church. She was a founding member of Wildwood Baptist Church in Laurel and more recently Calvary Baptist of Ellisville. She was also actively involved in Women's Missionary Union of Southern Baptist Convention. Ruth was an accomplished cook and delighted family and friends with her dishes.

She is preceded in death by her husband of 53 years, Paul Lamar Byrd, and two children, Donald Paul Byrd and Deborah Ruth Harvey.

She is survived by one sister Marion "Peggy" Laurich of Richton and one son, Phillip Lamar Byrd of Springfield, TN and two daughters, Patricia Ann Mitchell of Petal and Linda Joyce Pyles of Laurel; five grandchildren and ten great grandchildren, along with a host of beloved nieces and nephews.

The family wishes to thank the staff at Jones County Rest Home for their compassionate care for Ruth over the past two years.

Pallbearers will be Dale Pyles, Fred Roman, Joe Laurich, Fred Brommer, Javier Thompson and Lars Jensen.

Visitation will be held from 9 a.m. until service time Saturday, December 8,

2012 at Memory Chapel of Laurel which is in charge of the arrangements.

Tribute Wall

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“ Dear Linda, We are so sorry for the loss of your mother. We will pray that you are comforted by our wonderful and almighty God. He will hug and comfort you during this time. Your mother was so precious and we have wonderful memories of her kindness! Kathy and I planned to come to the funeral, but I felt like I may have the flu and she needed me to drive. Linda, please know that our prayers are with you and especially through the Christmas season. We love you, Kathy and Jenny

Jenny Ishee and Kathy Ingram - December 08, 2012 at 10:45 AM

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“ Please accept our condolences in your time of grief.
Mary, Fred and Janice Pitts

Mary A. Pitts - December 06, 2012 at 02:41 PM

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“ My prayers and deepest sympathy goes out to Ms Byrds family. I was one of her CNA's at JCRH and I truly will miss her.

Margie Thornton - December 06, 2012 at 02:04 PM

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“ Linda, I am so sorry for the loss of your mother. I know that you will miss her so much. I'll remember you and your family in my prayers.
Alicia

Alicia Herrington - December 06, 2012 at 11:36 AM