



## G'nell Thompson Gilstrap

September 12, 1936 - July 10, 2022

G'nell Thompson Gilstrap  
Pickens

G'nell Thompson Gilstrap, 85, wife of the late Lt. Col. Billy James Gilstrap Sr., passed away on Sunday, July 10, 2022, at her home.

G'nell was a member of Porters Chapel United Methodist Church. She was a graduate of Greenville High School Class of 1955.

She is survived by her son, Thomas Gilstrap (Sharon) of Greer, grandchildren; Jarred Gilstrap (Cryste), Lindsey Hiott (Wes), Elizabeth Gilstrap (John Wycoff), Katie Garrett (Jon), Madison Gilstrap (Alex North), Will Gilstrap, Jake Gilstrap (Molly Smith), great grandchildren; Mackenzie Gilstrap, Karis Gilstrap, Hadley Hiott, Kennedy Garrett, Brannon Gilstrap, Hayes Hiott, Benjamin Gilstrap, Nick Benitez - Gilstrap, and a sister Achsa Rollins.

Predeceased by her husband, Lt. Col. Billy James Gilstrap Sr., a son, Col. Billy James (Jim) Gilstrap Jr., her parents, Haskell Benjamin Thompson and Eliza Jane Floyd Thompson, 3 sisters, 4 brothers, and a longtime companion Ken Bragg.

A Graveside Service will be held at 11:00am on Thursday, July 14, 2022, at

Woodlawn Memorial Park in Greenville.

In lieu of flowers donations can be made to The American Cancer Society in G'nell's honor.

Mountain View Funerals and Cremations – Pickens Chapel is serving the Gilstrap Family.

# Cemetery Details

## Woodlawn Memorial Park

Greenville, SC

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

JUL 14. 11:00 AM (ET)

Woodlawn Memorial Park  
Greenville, SC

# Tribute Wall

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“ *G'Nell was a sweet soul and will be greatly missed.* ”



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**Tonya** - May 08, 2024 at 01:01 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of G'nell Thompson Gilstrap.* ”



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July 14, 2022 at 06:06 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of G'nell Thompson Gilstrap.* ”



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July 13, 2022 at 11:37 AM

JD

“ *Truly one of the kindest and loving people I have ever known. Her bravery and fighting positive spirit has been an inspiration to all. Elliott and I enjoyed her fellowship and love of family especially with Louise and Bill. She is loved. Julie Dulaney of Jacksonville Fl.* ”

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**Julie Dulaney** - July 12, 2022 at 09:46 AM

LB

“ *Linda Bowie lit a candle in memory of G'nell Thompson Gilstrap*



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**Linda Bowie** - July 12, 2022 at 07:17 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of G'nell Thompson Gilstrap.*



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July 12, 2022 at 07:14 AM

SD

“ *Sammy Dodgens lit a candle in memory of G'nell Thompson Gilstrap*



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**Sammy Dodgens** - July 11, 2022 at 09:56 PM

LS

“ *I am praying for your precious family during this time. Momen meant a lot to Molly Lynn, and we are so thankful for her life.*

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**Lisa Smith** - July 11, 2022 at 09:45 PM



“ Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of G'nell Thompson Gilstrap.



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July 11, 2022 at 07:31 PM



“ My heart aches for you all at this time. G'Nell was my September Birthday Twin, my high school friend and such a special part of my life. I also wore her wedding dress. Such wonderful memories I have of this spspecial lady. I can only imagine the reunion she had last night with Billy, Jim, Mom and Dad, and brother Bil land other loved ones. She will always have a very special place in my heart. Will try my best to attend her service. She was definately a fighter and an inspiration to all. My love to you all, Toni Pardue

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**Toni Armstrong Pardue** - July 11, 2022 at 04:39 PM



G'Nell became a special friend to me. I'm praying and thinking of you all.

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**Debbie Harris** - July 11, 2022 at 07:25 PM



“ G'nell was a wonderful neighbor. A great lady of much faith and trust in the Lord. She was an inspiration to all who had the privilege to know her. Rest in peace and I find comfort knowing the reunion in Heaven you had with Billy and Jim!

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**Joel Parsons** - July 11, 2022 at 03:50 PM