



Marilyn (Mae) McElhannon Grant

July 15, 1928 - October 15, 2024

Marilyn (Mae) McElhannon Grant
Pickens, South Carolina

Marilyn (Mae) McElhannon Grant, age 96, wife of the late Ralph W Grant, made a peaceful journey to her Heavenly home on October 15, 2024.

Marilyn was born July 15, 1928, to the late Emory and Lula Cary McElhannon in Franklin County Georgia. In 1937, her father accepted a job with the Civilian Conservation Corps at Table Rock State Park and the family settled in Pickens SC.

She married her beloved husband, Ralph, in December 1945 and together they shared 71 years of marriage before his passing.

In her early married years, she worked at Alice Mill in Easley. After raising her children, she returned to work co-managing The Feed Room Restaurant in Pickens, a popular community gathering spot, owned by her brother, Harold McElhannon.

She had a passion for antiques and collectibles and operated booths in several antique malls in the area. She and her husband loved to travel and had many wonderful adventures across the United States searching for

antiques and treasures along the way.

She volunteered with Meals on Wheels, was an original member of Silver Sneakers at the Pickens YMCA where she attended classes until the age of 91 and was a long-time member of the Pickens Senior Center.

Marilyn was the ultimate Southern hostess and was known for her incredible Sunday dinners, holiday meals and beautiful table settings. She was also an avid gardener and lovingly tended to her beautiful yard and flowers, a talent and passion passed down from her mother.

Marilyn had a servant's heart and will be remembered for service to her family, church and her community.

She was a devout Christian and faithful member of Red Hill Baptist church for over 60 years.

The family would like to express heartfelt gratitude to Tina, Tonya, Anngie, and Robbie private caregivers, who lovingly helped the family care for their Mother during her final journey home. Angels truly do walk among us.

She is survived by her children, Ron Grant (Kathy) of Simpsonville, Dianne McLaughlin (David) of Pickens, and Rebecca Anderson of Pickens, 4 grandchildren, 7 great grandchildren, 2 great great grandchildren and one loving sister, Eleanor McElhannon Dodson. Eleanor was not only her sister, but her best friend.

She was preceded in death by two infant sons, her parents, her husband, brothers John, Harold and Jack McElhannon, sisters Ada Madge McElhannon and Louise McElhannon Reid.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, October 19, 2024, at 2:00 PM in the sanctuary of Red Hill Baptist Church in Pickens. The family will gather with friends and family after the service.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made online to Red Hill Baptist Church in Pickens (checks mailed to 558 Red Hill Road, Pickens SC 29671) or online to Miracle Hill Ministries (checks mailed to P.O. Box 2546 Greenville, SC 29602)

Mountain View Funeral Home – Pickens Chapel is serving the Grant family.

Cemetery Details

Hillcrest Memorial Park

2410 Gentry Memorial Hwy
Pickens, SC 29671

Previous Events

Funeral Service

OCT 19. 2:00 PM (ET)

Red Hill Baptist Church
558 Red Hill Road
Pickens, SC 29671

Receiving of Friends

OCT 19. 3:00 PM (ET)

Red Hill Baptist Church
558 Red Hill Road
Pickens, SC 29671

Tribute Wall

JC

“ *From the Cassell Family
We are so sorry for this terrible loss. Mrs. May was a great person and this obituary was a great summary. A lot of time involved with our family including work, church, and neighborhood which contains good memories.*

James Cassell - October 22, 2024 at 12:39 PM

GL

“ *Dianne, Rebecca, and Ron. I am so sorry about the passing of your Mother. She was a wonderful person and I pray the memories of her will comfort you .
Ginger Lewis*

Ginger Lewis - October 20, 2024 at 01:34 PM

TF

“ *Family,
I am so saddened to see this but rejoicing she is reunited with family . She was a wonderful lady. So enjoyed our porch sitting and hearing great stories from her. You are all in my prayers.*

Tammy Ferguson

Tammy Ferguson - October 19, 2024 at 12:04 PM

MB

“ *A beautiful tribute to a beautiful lady. I still remember Ralph and Mae sitting on the 3rd or 4th pew on the left at Red Hill Church most every Sunday.*

Maxine Bledsoe - October 19, 2024 at 09:21 AM



“ 55 files added to the album Life Tributes



Mountain View Funerals and Cremations - October 18, 2024 at 01:24 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Marilyn (Mae) McElhannon Grant.



October 17, 2024 at 02:32 PM



“ Your friends at Meridian Resources planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Marilyn (Mae) McElhannon Grant.

Your friends at Meridian Resources - October 17, 2024 at 02:32 PM

FF

“ *To the Grant family:*

My deepest sympathy goes out to each one of you. Grew up in church with Ralf and May at Red Hill Babtist Church. Both of them was a Blessing to our church. Our prayers go out to the family.

From the Britton Family - October 16, 2024 at 08:50 PM

MH

“ *May and Ralph were so special to our Family. We were so enriched by their lives. The other side is looking more attractive all the time.*

Michael Hendricks - October 16, 2024 at 05:27 PM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Rebecca Anderson - October 16, 2024 at 03:48 PM

SG

“ *To The Grant Family*

So sorry to hear about your mother passed awayshe was a nice, friendly and sweet lady. May The Lord Comfort all of you during this sad time. My thoughts and prayers are with you all of you.
Shirley Diane Hutto Grant

Shirley Diane Hutto Grant - October 16, 2024 at 02:42 PM

SG

“ *Shirley Diane Hutto Grant lit a candle in memory of Marilyn (Mae) McElhannon Grant*



Shirley Diane Hutto Grant - October 16, 2024 at 02:39 PM

MA

“ *Praying for the family.
A true example of a Proverbs 31 woman. She lived everyday her faith . She will be missed,but thank the Lord there's a reunion just ahead for the child of God.*



Michael Anthony - October 16, 2024 at 02:06 PM

FA

*Our deepest sympathies to the family.
Mae & Ralph has made a difference in so many lives. I'm grateful to have been a friend and neighbor of Mae & Ralph, Farrell & Barbara.*

Farrell - October 18, 2024 at 10:20 AM