



Rhonda "Kay" Gilstrap Pickens

February 13, 1955 - January 1, 2023

Rhonda "Kay" Gilstrap Pickens
Easley, South Carolina

Rhonda "Kay" Gilstrap Pickens, age 67, daughter of the late Bobby Jerrell Gilstrap and Audrey Oliva Roper Gilstrap, passed away on Sunday, January 1, 2023, at her residence. Rhonda was born in Greenville County on February 13, 1955.

Survivors include her children, Charolyn Melaina Cole (Joey), and Jamie Shon Cole (Monika); four grandchildren, Megan Kinman (Chris), Tristen Howard (Emilio), Aubri Marie Cole, and Parker Michael Cole; one great-grandchild, Emilia Mae Howard; her brother, Keith Gilstrap; and a special friend, Robin Edens.

A graveside service will be held at 2:00 PM on Thursday, January 5, 2023, at Cedar Rock Baptist Church Cemetery, 1667 Cedar Rock Church Rd, Easley, SC 29640.

Wildflowers will be accepted or memorials may be made in Rhonda's honor to St. Jude Children's Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

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

Cemetery Details

Cedar Rock Baptist Church Cemetery

1667 Cedar Rock Church Rd
Easley, SC 29640

Previous Events

Graveside Service

JAN 5. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

DP

“ It's August 20, 2023 and somehow I've been so out of touch that I'm just now learning of the passing of my dear friend Kay. I went to elementary school, Jr. and Sr. High School in Easley with Kay, and she was always very nice to me and had a bright, glowing smile and a perky personality. I lost touch with her after 1975, but many years later reconnected with her on Facebook and then reunited with her in person a few years ago at Hagood Mill in Pickens, SC during their annual Native American celebration in November. She was one of the dancers in the festival. She embraced her Cherokee heritage and spoke fluent Cherokee. After being out of touch for decades, we reminisced, shared hugs, conversation, and traditional Cherokee food. Heaven is richer and more joyful for her presence.

Derrick Phillips - August 20, 2023 at 11:23 PM

BR

“ Brandi lit a candle in memory of Rhonda "Kay" Gilstrap Pickens



Brandi - March 30, 2023 at 04:54 AM

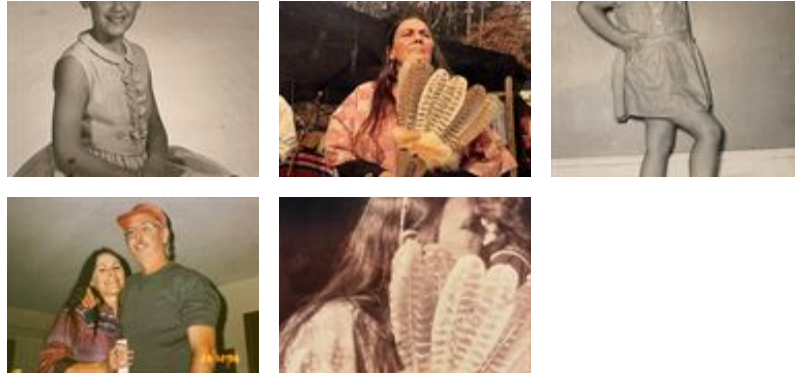
BR

I've been praying, I didn't know, I hadn't heard from you, then found out today that my Friend had passed. I shall look towards the sky as the Eagle soars and I will point up in remembrance of you. I will see you again as Sister's in Christ, oh what a day! Miss you Sis ❤️

Brandi - March 30, 2023 at 04:59 AM

Mo

“ 55 files added to the album Life Tributes



Mountain View Funerals and Cremations - January 25, 2023 at 09:38 AM

JY

“ Rip Kay.



Jackie Youngblood - January 07, 2023 at 08:06 PM

CN

“ Wow!! I did not expect to see this. Rest in peace my long-ago neighbor and forever friend.

Connie Nix - January 06, 2023 at 11:43 PM

CB

“ I have known Kay for many many years even though we haven't seen each other in years. Except on FB She was a precious lady and friend and will be greatly missed.

cindy boykin - January 05, 2023 at 10:14 AM

KG

“ Kay Gray lit a candle in memory of Rhonda "Kay" Gilstrap Pickens



Kay Gray - January 05, 2023 at 08:55 AM

DS

“ DALE STEWART lit a candle in memory of Rhonda "Kay" Gilstrap Pickens



DALE STEWART - January 04, 2023 at 11:23 PM

SJ

“ Kay was a dear friend for many years. From school thru her surviving COVID a year ago. Kay fought a long battle and never lost her faith in God. She is flying with the angels now. RIP my dear friend.

Sandra Simpson Johnson - January 04, 2023 at 02:49 PM

BS

“ Barbara Simmons lit a candle in memory of Rhonda "Kay" Gilstrap Pickens



Barbara Simmons - January 03, 2023 at 07:52 PM

SB

“ Sharon B purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Rhonda "Kay" Gilstrap Pickens.



Sharon B - January 03, 2023 at 01:35 PM