



Jane Hughes "Jeannie" McMillan

December 20, 1920 - August 11, 2013

Jane Hughes McMillan

Jane McMillan, "Jeannie," to her legion of friends and Bible students, died peacefully Sunday morning in Tallahassee, at the age of 92. She was the widow of revered Baptist pastor, Dr. Robert McMillan, who passed away in April.

Jeannie was born Jane Hughes Smith on December 20, 1920, to William and Catherine Smith, in Glasgow, Scotland. She was a prize-winning scholar, who also turned heads as a soloist in church. At a revival meeting, a young minister heard her sing and declared he would marry her. Robert and Jeannie were married in Glasgow's Shettleston Baptist Church on June 4, 1943.

Their first home was a flat above the chemist's shop in tiny Pittenweem, on the east coast of Scotland. Their first child, Ruthie, was born in Glasgow before they emigrated to Canada, where their second daughter, Pauline was born.

As Robert's ministerial career took them across Canada and eventually the United States, Jeannie became a sought-after Sunday School and Bible Study teacher.

In their years at the First Baptist Church of Tallahassee, she balanced classes with work in real estate, art and writing. She published a cookbook of recipes collected from other pastor's wives called Always on Monday.

In addition to her husband of nearly seventy years, she was preceded in death by her sister Katherine Anderson, brother Alexander Smith and daughter, Pauline Blankenship.

She is survived by daughter Ruthie Weidman, two grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

The family would like to express deep appreciation to the staff at Westminster Oaks for their love and care.

A private family service, led by Dr. Ed Lyon, was held to honor Jeannie's memory--a memory summed up in a letter to her by a former Bible student: "You are so loved by so many and especially by me."

Anyone wishing to remember Jeannie McMillan is invited to contribute to the Westminster Oaks Foundation, 4449 Meandering Way, Tallahassee, FL 32308, or to the charity of their choice.

Bevis Funeral Home, (850) 385-2193, www.bevisfh.com, assisted the family with the arrangements.

Tribute Wall

JP

“ *My wife (Linda Pace) and I have nothing but the most loving of memories of Jeannie and Robert. We became very close friends in the early 1990s when Linda and I joined East Hill Baptist Church and Jeannie’s Sunday School class. We enjoyed many dinners and other social events with the McMillans. They were both perfect role models for lives centered around their faith.*

Jeff Pace - July 26, 2024 at 11:39 PM