Virginia Lee Wright Stewart

March 5, 1931 - May 16, 2023

Virginia Lee Wright Stewart, a resident of Tallahassee, Florida, died at home Tuesday, May 16 at the age of 92. She was born in Valdosta, Georgia on March 5, 1931, to Martha Elizabeth Miller and Elliott Jackson Wright. Growing up in Lowndes County, Georgia, she graduated from Valdosta High School in 1948 then earned a BS degree in Secretarial Science from the Georgia State Women's College.

She married her high school sweetheart Buddy Stewart in 1951. After his pharmacy degree was completed in Atlanta, they settled in Tallahassee in 1957. There they raised five children and owned and operated the University Rexall Pharmacy for 34 years.

She was devoted to her family and her church. At East Hill Baptist Church she sang in the choir and in 1994 was ordained in the deacon ministry. She was steadfast in her faith and led by example. She helped anyone in need and quietly assisted people who were ill or elderly with a meal, transportation, or encouragement. She loved all living things (though was not fond of squirrels and possums in her garden) and spent many hours feeding and watching birds and raising butterflies. She enjoyed fishing from the pier at the family lake house on Lake Talquin.

She was always home when her children were young and took pleasure in cooking large country meals for her family. She made wonderful cakes for every occasion, especially birthdays. She adored and was adored by her grandchildren who called her B'Ma.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her brother Calder Olin Miller, and husband of 69 years, Hubbard Elmer Stewart. She is survived by her children Sara Stewart Shashy (Peter), Lee Stewart, David Stewart, Mark Stewart (Lisa), and Ginger Stewart Robertson (Robert), grandchildren Robert Stewart (Angela), Meredith Stewart Sullivan (Aaron) and their mother Ramona Dean Stewart, Justin Robertson (Meredith), Stephanie Robertson Kimmel (Andrew), Will Stewart (Amy) Sam Stewart (Aly), Ben Stewart, Scott Shashy (Christine), Matthew Shashy and great-grandchildren Izzy, Levi, Chason, Andrew, and Charlotte.

After private interment at the National Cemetery, a celebration of Virginia's life will be held at East Hill Baptist Church on May 27, 2023, at 11:00. In lieu of flowers, donations in her memory may be made to East Hill Baptist Church, Samaritan's Purse, Big Bend Hospice, or the charity of your choice.

Cemetery Details

Tallahassee National Cemetery

5015 Apalachee Parkway
Tallahassee, FL 32311

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

MAY **27**. 11:00 AM (ET)

East Hill Baptist Church
912 Miccosukee Road
Tallahassee, FL 32303

Tribute Wall

Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of Virginia Lee Wright Stewart.

May 22, 2023 at 12:11 PM