



## Virginia Bennett Strickland

April 26, 1927 - April 21, 2018

Virginia Bennett Strickland, 90, returned peacefully to her Savior's arms on Saturday, April 21, 2018, at her home. She was a faithful member of The First Baptist Church of Tallahassee for over 65 years and more recently attended church at Allegro where she resided. She was also a member of the Tallahassee Women's Club for many years.

Born April 26, 1927 in Baltimore, Maryland, Virginia was raised in Orlando, Florida, graduating from Orlando High School and obtaining a Bachelors' degree in Business Administration from Florida State University with the school's first graduating class to include women. While there, she was a member of Alpha Chi Omega and remained an active alumna member for many years. After 25 years with the State of Florida, she retired from the Division of Statutory Revision in a supervisory role.

Always a trailblazer and fiercely independent, her greatest joy was in the role of Mother and MIMI to the four children she raised, and her grandchildren. They will miss her laughter and smile and keen observations about life. She will be remembered for her creativity and the love which she stitched into every handmade gift or baby blanket or Christmas stocking.

Virginia is survived by her brother Dick Bennett (Rachael) Pell City, AL, daughter Sherry Carvalho (Tony) Tallahassee, FL, Mark Strickland (Sharon) Suwanee, GA, Mike Strickland (Debbie) Greenville, SC, Matt Strickland (Renee') Tallahassee, FL, 11 Grand-Children, (Dean, Emily and Anna Carvalho, Chris, Kristina, Scott, Carl, Rachael and Adam Strickland,

Sarah and John Lipsey), 3 Great Grand-Children, 1 Great Great Grand Child and Roy Strickland father of her children. She was pre-deceased by her mother Marie M. Binns.

In lieu of flowers donations can be made to Covenant Presbyterian Church Family Center, 2221 Old Bainbridge Road Tallahassee, FL 32303.

Funeral service will be held on Saturday, April 28th at 2:00 p.m. at Covenant Presbyterian Church, 2221 Old Bainbridge Road Tallahassee, FL 32303.

Visitation will be at the Church 1 hour prior to the service. A graveside service for family will take place immediately following the funeral at Roselawn Cemetery. Susie Mozolic of Bevis Funeral Home is assisting the family with their arrangements. ([www.bevisfh.com](http://www.bevisfh.com) 850-385-2193)

# Cemetery Details

## Roselawn Cemetery

815 West Piedmont Drive  
Tallahassee, FL 32308

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 28. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Covenant Presbyterian  
2121 Old Bainbridge Rd.  
Tallahassee, FL 32303

## Funeral Service

APR 28. 2:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ Hardy Family purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Virginia Bennett Strickland.



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**Hardy Family** - April 26, 2018 at 08:21 AM

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“ Amen, Mrs. Strickland, Amen,  
A Florida High School Mom and once-neighbor on Buena Vista Dr.  
Sherry, Mark, Matt, Mike, your mom lived her WHOLE life!  
Peggy Adair

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**Peggy Adair** - April 25, 2018 at 08:02 AM