



Emma Dean Lillard

August 10, 1925 - November 27, 2009

Emma Dean Murrell Lillard, age 84, of Newport, passed away Friday morning November 27, 2009 in Baptist Hospital of Cocke County.

She was a faithful member of First Baptist Church, and until her health would not allow she attended the Sowers-Friendship Sunday school class.

She retired from South Central Bell after 36 years of service.

She was preceded in death by her loving husband of 59 years, Mr. Jesse Mulford Lillard, whom she married September 22, 1945; parents Mr. and Mrs. Chester Murrell; and sister, Dorothy Murrell; father-in-law and mother-in-law, E. H. and Elizabeth McNabb Lillard; brother-in-law, Swann H. Lillard; sisters-in-law, Verna Mae Gray, Evelyn Rhodes and Dorothy Lillard.

She is survived by her two godsons and great-great-nephews, E. Edward (Dusty) Rhodes IV and Nicholas Kyker Rhodes; great-nephew, E. Edward III (Eddie) and Paige Rhodes, of Newport; special cousins and caregivers, Vonn Ray and Hazel Murrell, Don and Laura Jane Ball, of Newport; Anne Williams of Cosby; Rob and Lisa Myers; cousins, Tommy Lillard, Beth Lillard James, of Newport, Pat Click Chism, of Texas, Myra Ball, of Newport, Paul Baxter, of Cosby, Nelle Williamson and Jean Carrell of Newport; 2nd cousins, David and Shawna Murrell, Joey and Amy Bradshaw, Donna and Dorian Milam; nieces, Janet and Kenneth Porter, and Evelyn Rhodes, of Newport; nephews, E. Edward Jr., and JoAnn Rhodes, of Dandridge; great-niece, Janie Porter, of Nashville; great-nephews, James K. Porter, JR, of Sevierville, Christopher and Tracey Rhodes and their daughter, Ally and son, Tristan, of Johnson City;

great-great-nephews, James Kenneth (Trey) Porter III and Katie Porter, of Sevierville; Heath and Jennifer Rhodes and their sons, Cody and Seth Rhodes, of Baltimore Maryland; special friends Maggie, Mike and Josh Strange; also many other family and friends. The family would like to thank all the nurses, caregivers, friends and sitters that helped with the wonderful and loving care they gave Dean during her illness.

Funeral services will be held 2:00 pm. Sunday, November 29, 2009 in Manes Funeral Home Chapel with Rich Lloyd and Rob Myers officiating. Burial will follow in Union Cemetery.

The family will receive friends from 12 noon until 2 p.m. prior to the services on Sunday at Manes Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to the First Baptist Church Television Ministry, 261 E. Broadway, Newport, TN 37821

Tribute Wall



“ *Emma Dean Lillard*

November 17, 2022 at 06:00 PM



“ *I am very sorry to hear of your loss. It is hard to give up such a special family member. The precious memories will be a comfort. Thoughts and prayers, Charlotte & family*

Charlotte Atkins - November 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *Our family wishes to send your family our sincere condolences. Dean was not only a loyal customer of moms at the beauty salon but also a dear friend who never missed her birthdays and other occasions. Dean was a great lady who will be missed by all.*

Ruth Miller Family - November 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *We have so many fond memories of Dean. She was a good friend and co-worker. She will be greatly missed.*

Bill & Gail Granger - November 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *Emma Dean Lillard*

Sylvia I. Gray - November 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *Emma Dean Lillard*

Jim, Kathy, and Kaleb Smith - November 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ *With deepest sympathy, Janella and Jan Carpenter*

Jan Carpenter - November 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

ST

“ *Dean was a precious lady and will be missed by many. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Sharon Taylor-Manning, Terry Taylor, Louise Taylor*

Sharon Taylor-Manning - November 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

KR

“ *You all are in my prayers!*

Katandra McGaha Roach - November 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

ER

“ *You will be sadly missed by us. We will remember the good times. We are sad for all that we are losing, your love, your time, your listening and advice, your friendship, your homemade bread and casseroles, our birthday desserts, vacation cookies, just*

eddie and paige rhodes - November 28, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RF

“ *Emma Dean Lillard*

Ray Fancher - November 28, 2009 at 12:00 AM

WP

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WILSON'S SAV-MOR PHARMACY - November 28, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RP

“ *Emma Dean Lillard*

Robert and Martha Pack - November 28, 2009 at 12:00 AM

FP

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fredia pruit - November 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM

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JN

“ *I am thinking of you all. My thoughts and prayers are with you. She was a beautiful person, who had one of the kindest hearts I know. She will be missed. Jamie*

Jamie Cody, Lindsey and Cody Naillon - November 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM

WM

“ *Emma Dean Lillard*

Wiley & Katie Morgan - November 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM