



Evelyn Roberts

September 6, 1926 - May 4, 2012

Evelyn Jean Hardaway Roberts age 85 passed away on Friday, May 4, 2012 at her residence. Mrs. Roberts was born September 6, 1926 in Nashville, TN to Dudley Hardaway and Gertrude Rice Hardaway. Services for Mrs. Roberts are Monday, May 7, 2012 at Limestone Chapel Funeral Home at 2:00 p.m. Visitation will be Monday, May 7, 2012 from 11:00 until 1:45 p.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be in Athens City Cemetery with Danny McMullins and Ricky Lowry officiating. Our Mother was a loving, caring and devoted wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. The pride of her life was her family. She loved her Lord and enjoyed doing his work. She was married to her high school sweetheart Raymond Roberts for 65 years. He was the owner of the John Deere dealership for 32 years. She helped to manage the family farm as well as the business Rocket Produce and Roberts Orchard. She served the Lord as a Sunday School teacher at New Hope Baptist Church for 53 years with a love to all of the children. The American Cancer Society originated her first, as a breast cancer survivor, for a personal representative for the "Reach to Recovery Program" in Limestone County. She served for 27 years, helping the needs one on one visiting cancer patients in their recovery. Along with her husband she was a charter member of the Limestone County Farm Bureau for 55 years. She served as a member of the board of directors as well as an officer. She also served as an officer on the Women of Alfa Committee for a number of years. Mrs. Roberts was a prior member of the Bethel and Antioch Homemakers Club for many years and was also a member of the Cambridge

Lane Sewing Club. She was chosen as Limestone County's "Outstanding Club Member of the year". She also served as a Red Cross Volunteer at Athens-Limestone Hospital. She is survived by her daughters, Betty Turpen and husband Bobby of Athens, and Carol Balch and husband Danny of Madison; grandchildren, Tammy Bell and husband Mark of Huntsville, Terry Turpen and wife Wendy of Athens and Joey Balch of Madison; great-grandchildren, Tyler Dowland and wife Caroline, Thomas Bell, Drew Turpen and Luke Turpen; brothers, Dudley Hardaway Jr. of Columbia, TN, Charles Hardaway of Columbia, TN and Winston Hardaway of Cibolo, TX. She is preceded in death by her husband Raymond Roberts, her parents, and one grandson Robby Balch. Pallbearers are Terry Turpen, Joey Balch, Mark Bell, Tyler Dowland, Thomas Bell, Drew Turpen and Luke Turpen. Honorary pallbearers are Larry Marsh, Alan Marsh, Don Marsh and Gary Weatherly. In lieu of flowers please make memorials to New Hope Baptist Church building fund.

Tribute Wall

JH

“ *sorry about evelyn, she was a fine lady*

jimmy hargrove - May 07, 2012 at 05:00 PM

NM

“ *So sorry to read about Evelyn and not to be able to be with you today. She was a special lady and I will always remember her that way.*

Norma and Jim Miller - May 07, 2012 at 03:31 PM

PE

“ *Carol, so sorry to hear about your Mom.
May you have peace and be conforted in this time of sorrow.*

Jim and Patsy (Hinkle) Ennis

PATSY HINKLE ENNIS - May 07, 2012 at 02:43 PM

ME

“ *Betty and Carol,
We are saddened at the loss of Evelyn. She was a very special friend and church just wasn't chruch if we weren't sitting side by side. Sorry we won't be able to make the services but know our love and sympathy go out to all.*

Mae and Dick Ennis - May 07, 2012 at 11:19 AM

SF

“ *Betty, Carol and families - Those of us here on earth lost a very special person on Friday -- Evelyn Roberts!! We mourn the loss of her and her presence here with us but we know she is with God at ease and peace. She was very proud of you two -- and rightly so -- you continue to carry her grace, love, and love of Jesus to future generations. She will be dearly missed!!*

Sandra Ennis Covi and family - May 07, 2012 at 11:16 AM

MB

“ *My prayers are with the family.*

Mabel Boyd - May 06, 2012 at 09:49 PM

JD

“ *Carol and Betty: I am so sorry to hear of your Mother's passing. She was always a caring and lovely lady. You took good care of her, i hope you both find peace in knowing that you made her life special. she was so proud of both of you.*
Janice

Janice Daniels - May 06, 2012 at 11:37 AM