



Mrs. Myrtice Brooks Woods

December 4, 1925 - July 1, 2016

Myrtice Beatrice Brooks Woods was born to the union of Will Brooks and Mamie Elam Brooks on December 4, 1925 in Milan, Tennessee. She was the second born of two children born to this union. Her brother Avery T. Brooks preceded her death, leaving the parents time to give undivided love to Myrtice.

She departed this life on July 1, 2016 at Behavioral Healthcare Center peacefully sleeping during the early morning hours. She leaves a legacy of educational excellence, concert and gospel musical ability that she willingly shared. She especially loved attending and participating in Sunday School.

As a young child, she, along with her parents attended Phillips Chapel Christian Methodist Episcopal Church, where she was converted to Christianity at a very age. Here she remained until her death, a member for over eighty years. She was an active member serving on the Stewardess Board and sharing her musical talent as well when asked.

Myrtice spent her entire life in Milan, Tennessee and began her education at the Gibson County Training School later renamed Polk- Clark. She graduated in 1944 and entered Lane College in Jackson, Tennessee where she earned a Bachelor of Arts degree. Her major area of specialization was Social-Sciences with minor field in Music, with emphasis on piano. She was a renowned classical pianist and loved gospel music.

Myrtice enjoyed sharing her musical talent with all that she met along the way. She was a member of the College Chorus, a Golden Life Member of her sorority, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Jackson Alumnae Chapter. At Lane she met Henry Woods, a WWII Veteran student. Myrtice and Henry were happily married until his death. No children were born to the union.

Upon graduation from Lane College in 1948 she began her teaching career at Gibson County Training School. She taught 4th grade and accompanied the School Glee Club. She held membership in MEA, TEA, and NEA. After years of dedicated service to children she retired from K.D. McKellar School June 1, 1988.

She leaves to mourn her passing, her very special family of more than twenty –five years, Bobby and Myra Barnett of Humboldt, a college friend Dorothy Marie Ragland of Los Angeles, California; several cousins, Theresa Witt and children of Louisville, Kentucky, Lawrence Collins of Memphis, TN, Mary Elyse Pirtle, Shirley Wright , Norma Gilbert of Indianapolis, Indiana, Martha Sue David of Milan and friends.

Cemetery Details

Cloverdale Cemetery

Milan, TN

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 9. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Phillips Chapel C.M.E. Church
4023 Cates Street
Milan, TN 38358

Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Myrtice Brooks Woods*

January 28, 2023 at 12:37 PM



“ *I had the honor to hear Ms. Woods play the piano during the late stages in life. Awesome !! Will always remember her music. Angela Brown L.P.N.*

angela brown - July 12, 2016 at 11:13 AM



“ *From: Debra Francine Rose Perkins,
As time goes by and memories are shared, I think of all the great women with humility/conviction who were a part of my live. Ms. Woods was my fourth grade teacher at Polk Clark School. She had a piano in her class room and boy oh, boy could she dress up every day. I attend Phillips Chapel and one of her favorite songs to play and sing was "How Great Thou Art." She could sing with power and conviction. You will be truly missed in Milan community.*



Debra Francine Rose Perkins - July 08, 2016 at 12:02 PM



Mrs. Woods was a sweet and quite nature person that loved to express common sense wisdom in Sunday School she would always comment in ways that put God at the center of the discussion. I will always admire her for that.

Bobbie Donnell - July 09, 2016 at 08:05 AM

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“ *BrendaRose-Flake lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Myrtice Brooks Woods*



BrendaRose-Flake - July 08, 2016 at 08:13 AM

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“ *Barbara Argue lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Myrtice Brooks Woods*



Barbara Argue - July 06, 2016 at 09:42 PM