



Merle Hastings Brooks

May 13, 1927 - June 24, 2022

Merle Hastings Brooks, 95, went to her heavenly home on Friday, June 24, 2022. A celebration of life graveside service will be at 3:00 PM on Sunday, June 26, 2022 at Pleasant Grove Baptist Church Cemetery in Oakboro, NC. Mrs. Brooks was born in Cleveland County on May 13, 1927 to the late Moses Andrew Hastings and Goldie Ann Walker Hastings. She was preceded in death by her husband, Rev. Yates M. Brooks of New London, and a daughter Teresa Brooks Hatley also of New London. In addition, she was preceded in death by five brothers: Hugh Lee, Paul, Earl "Shorty", Nelson, and William "Harry Bill"; and one sister: Jane Cook.

She is survived by her two daughters: Rita Comer (Danny) of Walker Town, Chris Speight (David) of Oakboro; one brother: Dale Hastings of Vale; four sisters: Dot Randall of Kernersville, Eloise Campbell of Morganton, Mozelle Lingerfelt of Belmont, and Roberta Penland of Icard; eight grandchildren; fourteen great grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

Merle was a member of Highland Baptist Church in New London. She loved everyone but especially children and babies. She made thousands of pairs of baby booties for the Pregnancy Resource Center in Albemarle for many years hoping to save the lives of unborn babies. Donations may be made to Pregnancy Resource Center Stanly at 731 W. Main Street, Albemarle, NC 28001.

The family would like to thank Spring Arbor of Albemarle and Community Home Care and Hospice for their excellent care of her during her declining

health.

Stanly Funeral and Cremation Care of Albemarle is serving the Brooks family.

Previous Events

Graveside Funeral Service

JUN **26**. 3:00 PM (ET)

Pleasant Grove Baptist Church Cemetery
17236 Frog Pond Road
Oakboro, NC 28129

Tribute Wall

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“ *I have many wonderful memories of Yates and Merle and their years of ministry for the Lord.*

Pastor Ken Gibson - June 28, 2022 at 12:21 PM

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“ *One of the nicest women I've ever met. Always made you feel welcome when you visited her and you left with something she crocheted. Her and Rev. Yates made a good team in a church. Now she's back with him. I will always remember them and will be praying for Gods peace and comfort on your life.*

Elaine Eudy - June 25, 2022 at 01:29 PM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Merle Hastings Brooks.*



June 25, 2022 at 01:20 PM

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“ *Merle was a sweet and precious friend. We have had some good fellowship times with Yates and Merle. Our thoughts and prayers are with each of you.*

Rev Dwight & Norma Mabry

Rev Dwight & Norma Mabry - June 25, 2022 at 01:00 PM