



## Mrs. Evelyn C. Presley

December 25, 1926 - August 15, 2020

Loving wife and mother, Evelyn Cribbs Presley, 93, was taken by the hand of the Lord to a quieter, gentler place on Saturday, August 15, 2020.

Evelyn was born December 25, 1926, and raised in Branford, Florida. After high school, she moved to Tallahassee to attend Florida State University, where she majored in Home Economics and Elementary Education. FSU is also where she met her husband, Jim, of 70 years in November, 1949, on a blind date. They married 10 weeks later on January 13, 1950.

Through the early years of marriage, Evelyn served as an elementary school teacher in Wakulla and Leon Counties and a Home Demonstration Agent in Leon and Liberty Counties. She later became a Curriculum Coordinator at Leonard Wesson and W. T. Moore Schools.

Evelyn loved to travel and did so extensively in her 60's thru 80's.

She is preceded in death by her mother, Leona Gunter Cribbs Burns; father, Lonnie Levi Cribbs; and daughter-in-law, Kathy Presley. She is survived by her husband, James Presley; her daughter, Dianne O'Neil (Kelly), and sons, Chad Presley of Tallahassee, Florida Shane Presley (Alita), all of Tallahassee, Florida.

Visitation is from 10:00 until 11:00 AM, Thursday August 20, 2020 at Abbey Funeral Home, with the funeral service beginning at 11:00 AM. Interment is at Tallahassee Memory Gardens. In keeping with the ongoing Covid-19 guidelines, social distancing and face masks are required. The live stream funeral service and online guestbook can be found at [www.abbeyfh.com](http://www.abbeyfh.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Tallahassee Memory Gardens

4037 North Monroe Street  
Tallahassee, FL 32303  
(850) 562-1518  
<https://www.abbeyfh.com/>

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**AUG 20.** 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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## Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Abbey Funeral Home and Tallahassee Memory Gardens created a Webcast in memory of Mrs. Evelyn C. Presley*



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**Abbey Funeral Home and Tallahassee Memory Gardens** - August 20, 2020 at 10:53 AM

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“ *Working with you, Evelyn, at W. T. Moore was a pleasure. Your kindness to the children who passed through those halls will long be remembered. Rest in peace.*

*Cathy Rutledge, teacher and ADK sister*

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**Cathy Rutledge** - August 21, 2020 at 04:07 PM

JB

“ *Such a sweet and caring woman, my sincere condolences to the Presley family.*

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**Joey Bazzell** - August 19, 2020 at 02:31 PM

DE

“ *So sorry for the loss of this sweet. I only had the chance to meet her a couple of times but I know she was loved by her family so much. Dianne always had very nice things to say about her mother.*

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**Delita** - August 19, 2020 at 12:08 PM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Mrs. Evelyn C. Presley.*



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August 19, 2020 at 09:29 AM



“ *Evelyn was such a kind lady. In 1968 when I first began my teaching career she was the grade level chairperson. She went out of her way in order to help me succeed. I will always be grateful to her. We have stayed in touch throughout all the years. I will miss my friend and ADK sister. Pat Simpson Riedell*

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**Pat Riedell** - August 19, 2020 at 09:00 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Mrs. Evelyn C. Presley.*



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August 18, 2020 at 06:36 PM



“ 26 files added to the album Life Tributes



Abbey Funeral Home and Tallahassee Memory Gardens - August 18, 2020 at 04:38 PM

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*As children we grew up with the Presley family. Our parents were great friends and our dads especially close. We took such fun trips together in the summers and spent memorable holidays with one another. Jim and Evelyn Presley and children were family to us. They were like an aunt and uncle. Their daughter Diane was a good friend to me. I remember many holidays spent at our homes together. My family would visit often and I always enjoyed spending time with Diane. They were a wonderful family. I was always amazed how smart Evelyn was and Jim and Evelyn were always kind and gracious to us and I know we must have been overwhelming to them at times because there were five of us kids in our family and to people who were quiet and reserved, we must have seemed so loud And rambunctious and perhaps a bit obnoxious too, but they were always fun to be around, kind and gracious to us and they never seemed to mind. We always had a great time with them. I will miss her and she will always be in my thoughts and heart. My deepest condolences to the Presley family. Love you guys! Praying for you all that God will comfort your hearts and grant you peace in your souls.*

Babs Auter Dial - August 19, 2020 at 02:07 AM