



Mrs. Mildred Elizabeth Underwood Smelley

April 5, 1931 - December 13, 2015

Mildred Elizabeth Underwood Smelley, 84, a resident of Crawfordville, peacefully passed away Sunday, December 13, 2015, while surrounded by her loving family.

Born April 5, 1931, in Milledgeville, Georgia, she was the daughter of the late Edgar Clare Underwood and Louise Lillian Blount Underwood. Her husband, Ottis Smelley, also preceded her in death. She was an accountant and was a member at Aeon Baptist Church. A very God-fearing woman, she loved yard work, planting and re-planting flowers, fishing and camping; but most importantly, she loved her family.

She is survived by a daughter, Barbara Freeman, and her husband, Les, who she considered a son; grandchildren, Jason and Laura Freeman, Brian and Amber Freeman; great-grandchildren, Megan Rogers, Amanda Rogers, Makenzie Freeman, Jason Freeman, Jr., Maybell Freeman and Paisley Freeman; her beloved niece, Linda Hartstfield, a daughter, Janeth and Howard Campbell.

The funeral is 2:00 PM, Saturday, December 19, 2015, at Abbey Funeral Home, with interment in Tallahassee Memory Gardens. The family will receive friends from 1:00 until 2:00 PM, Saturday, at the funeral home. Online sympathies may be expressed at 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

DEC 19. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Abbey Funeral Home
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Tallahassee, FL 32303
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Service

DEC 19. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

JA

“ 1 file added to the album Mema Family



Jan - December 19, 2015 at 01:20 PM

JC

“ 1 file added to the album Mema Family



Janeth A Campbell - December 19, 2015 at 12:18 PM

JA

Millie (Mema) teaches daughter to play Long Long Ago. Grandson Brian records it.

Janeth - January 11, 2016 at 09:58 AM

JA

I love hearing her voice and seeing her spirit, she is gone from this world but not forgotten.

Janeth - February 11, 2016 at 01:49 PM

JA

“ 20 files added to the album Mema Family



Jani - December 18, 2015 at 12:49 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Mrs. Mildred Elizabeth Underwood Smelley.*



December 17, 2015 at 09:00 PM

JC

“ *Janeth A Campbell purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Mrs. Mildred Elizabeth Underwood Smelley.*



Janeth A Campbell - December 17, 2015 at 07:08 PM

JA

“ *Jani lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mildred Elizabeth Underwood Smelley*



Jani - December 17, 2015 at 06:35 PM

JA

Mema was loved by many; black, brown, white, red, yellow and green. She was a caring loving friend to folks of all races. Millie believed in building peace through understanding each other.

Mildred was a great example on how to treat people fairly, and how to build love and respect in her community and our world. She loved Jesus in her heart, and lived by the Golden Rule..Treat others as you wish to be treated.

She loved to grow flowers and trees, was kind to wild animals and her many pets.

Mema loved her family above all, and was the best example of how to live a loving peaceful life. We were blessed to have her as our wonderful Mother.

Her smart "Mema Genes" live on in her beloved daughters, grandsons, and great grand kids. God Bless her Soul.

Janeth Campbell

Jani - December 17, 2015 at 06:57 PM



“ 54 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Abbey Funeral Home and Tallahassee Memory Gardens - December 17, 2015 at 03:49 PM



“ *Memaw was just like a mother to me. We had many of laughs picking at each other. She was always loving, sincere and thoughtful. She will be missed! We took memaw places she probably would never have gone to and she had fun and made lots of lasting memories. We love you memaw....Les*

Leslie Freeman - December 16, 2015 at 09:04 PM

DT

“ When I think of Aunt Mildred, three things come to mind:

- 1) The most amazing carrot cake bars I've ever had.
- 2) Beautiful flowers all over her yard.
- 3) A hug and kiss that seemed way too large to come from so tiny a lady.

Aunt Mildred was one of the most genuinely kind, loving women I've known. She went out of her way to let you know that you were loved. Don't get me wrong, she was full of spunk too, and would tell you quick if you had crossed the line. You learned that you did not hurt her flowers, her babies or her little Pomeranians--basically, she stood up for those she loved. Aunt Mildred was a nurturer by nature and gave of herself constantly to help those around her flourish. Some of my greatest childhood memories were spent down in Florida with Aunt Mildred and Uncle Ottis. Heaven's landscaping just got a lot better!



David Turner - December 16, 2015 at 08:39 PM

DT

“ 2 files added to the album My Aunt Mildred



David Turner - December 16, 2015 at 07:58 PM

DT

“ *David, Emily, Jackson & Carly Turner purchased the A New Sunrise Spray for the family of Mrs. Mildred Elizabeth Underwood Smelley.*



David, Emily, Jackson & Carly Turner - December 16, 2015 at 07:42 PM

JA

“ *Jani sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Mildred Elizabeth Underwood Smelley*



Jani - December 16, 2015 at 03:45 PM

JA

“ *Mema was a wonderful mother to her daughters, her grandsons, and so many people she loved, regardless of age or race.*



Millie was a good Christian woman who helped many and provided a great example to us all. Mildred was great at math, an excellent accountant, and organized bookkeeper for her church and her husband's business, accurate to the penny.

Mema loved peace, and wanted us to live together in love and respect. She will be missed by so many, but live on in her offspring who were very fortunate to inherit her "Mema Genes". God bless her soul to Heaven.

Her very grateful daughter.

Jani - December 16, 2015 at 02:22 PM



“ *Janeth and Howard, sorry for your loss. Prayers for you and your family.* ”

Vicki O'Neil (Moody) - December 16, 2015 at 04:22 AM