

In Loving Memory



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Funeral Services at

Liberty United Methodist Church

White Plains, Georgia

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Rev. Tom Compton and

Dr. Rick Standard Officiating

Twenty-Third Psalm

The Lord is my Shepherd: I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:

He leadeth me beside the still waters.

*He restoreth my soul: He leadeth me in the
paths of righteousness for his name's sake.*

*Yea, though I walk through the valley of the
shadow of death, I will fear no evil:
for thou art with me: thy rod and
thy staff they comfort me.*

*Thou preparest a table before me in the
presence of mine enemies:
thou anointest my head with oil:
my cup runneth over.*

*Surely goodness and mercy shall follow
me all the days of my life: and I will
dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.*

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Musical prelude Lamar Nix

Family procession Lamar Nix

Prayer and Welcome to Homegoing Pastor Tom Compton

“In the Garden” Janis Fowler, Angela Deering,
Krista Miller, Karen Talgo

“Victory in Jesus” page 370 Congregational

Words from Karen Talgo (Daughter)

Words from Krista Miller (Daughter)

Words of Comfort and Message Dr. Rick Standard

“Amazing Grace” Mark Miller

Benediction

Recessional Family leaves church Lamar Nix

Pastor invitation to join us at the graveside



*The family thanks the many friends and relatives who have
offered their love and support.*

The Lord's Prayer

*Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.*

Give us this day our daily bread.

*And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.*

*And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.*

*For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.*

MIRIAM PIERCE SMITH MCKINLEY

Miriam Pierce Smith McKinley of Eatonton, GA, died on August 21, 2016 at the age of 81 years. Born on December 23, 1934, in the Liberty Community of Greene County, Georgia, she was the daughter of the late Joe Branson and Hallie Turner Smith. She graduated from Greensboro High School in 1952 and from Georgia State College for Women (now Georgia College) in Milledgeville in 1956. During her teen years, Miriam served as pianist at Liberty United Methodist Church. Following college, she taught school and served as librarian at Central Gwinnett High School, Lawrenceville, GA until her second child was born. She loved flowers and always made sure that her house was in order and yard manicured. She was very involved with rearing her children, making sure that they did their school work and were in church every Sunday. She had a beautiful singing voice and loved to sing all the old hymns which she knew by heart. She often sang in church choirs and taught Sunday School for many years. Miriam loved to work cross-word puzzles, read, and above all travel. She and her husband camped in many locations throughout the continental United States, Alaska, Mexico, and the Maritime Provinces of Canada. They also traveled to Hawaii, Europe, the British Isles, the Greek Isles, the Holyland, Egypt, South America, Central America, Australia, New Zealand, Russia, and Istanbul, Turkey. Wherever they went, Miriam always kept a daily log while her husband took photos. Once home, Miriam would document their travels in wonderfully detailed scrapbooks which she assembled with loving care.

In addition to her husband of more than 60 years, Thomas McKinley, Miriam is survived by two daughters; Karen and husband Bruce Talgo of Suwanee, GA, and Krista and husband Mark Miller of Orlando, FL; brother Keith and wife Margie Smith of Smyrna, GA; grandchildren Kyle Woodall, Cole Miller, and Nathan Miller; niece Denise Dupuy of Woodstock, GA; nephew Dane and wife Tina Smith of Fountainville, PA; great-nephew Branson Dupuy; and great-nieces Brandi Smith and Kaitlin Dupuy.

The family will receive visitors at McCommons Funeral Home, 109 West Broad Street, Greensboro, GA 30642 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on Monday, August 22, 2016. Funeral services will be held at 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 23, 2016 at Liberty United Methodist Church, 3091 Liberty Church Road, White Plains, GA 30678 with burial to follow in the church cemetery. Dr. Rick Standard and Rev. Tom Compton will conduct the service. Serving as pallbearers are Kyle Woodall, Nathan Miller, Cole Miller, John McKinley, Frank McKinley, Roger Webb, Alan Fowler, Ben Fowler. The family requests that any memorials be made to Liberty United Methodist Church building fund, c/o Dede Smith, 1691 Bramlett Road, Greensboro, GA 30642. McCommons Funeral Home, 109 W. Broad St., Greensboro, GA, (706) 453-2626, is in charge of arrangements. Visit us at www.mccommonsfuneralhome.com to sign the online guest register.



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