



Ellis Osborne Kelly

May 2, 1925 - March 13, 2018

Ellis Osborne Kelly, 92, of Mooresville, passed away on Tuesday, March 13, 2018, at her residence. Born May 2, 1925, in Huntersville, NC, she was a daughter of the late William Orr and Elvetta Arnette Osborne. Mrs. Kelly was former owner/operator of Merle Norman Cosmetics in Downtown Mooresville for many years. She was a member of First Baptist Church, Mooresville. Mrs. Kelly was very active in many organizations within the Mooresville Community. She was preceded in death by her husband, C. L. "Bubba" Kelly; son, Arthur Kelly; sisters, Lucile, Margaret, Madelene, Willie Mae, Lena and Bertha and brother, Billy Ray. She is survived by son, William Kelly and wife, Glenda; grandchildren, Travis Kelly, and Monica Hicks and husband, Brent; great grandchildren, Zane Kelly, Bella, Bryson, Essie and Lilly Hicks and numerous nieces and nephews. A Celebration of Life Service will be held from 5 – 7 PM, Sunday, March 25, 2018, at the Heritage House of Cavin-Cook Funeral Home, Mooresville. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Hospice and Palliative Care of Iredell County, 2347 Simonton Rd., Statesville, NC 28625. Cavin-Cook Funeral Home, Mooresville, is serving the family of Mrs. Kelly. Condolences may be made to the family at www.cavin-cook.com

Tribute Wall



“ *Ellis Osborne Kelly*

February 14, 2021 at 11:24 AM



“ *Ellis Osborne Kelly*

February 14, 2021 at 11:04 AM



“ *Ellis Osborne Kelly*

February 14, 2021 at 11:03 AM



“ *In memory of a great lady and friend who will be missed.*

Frankie & Freddie Coggins - March 22, 2018 at 12:00 AM



“ *In memory of a very special, honorable lady. Started out with Ellis in Merle Norman Studio in Statesville, NC and on to Mooresville, NC. So greatly enriched my life. Glenda Goodman*

Glenda Goodman - March 18, 2018 at 12:00 AM

CP

“ Respectfully addressing Ellis Kelly's surviving families: William & Glenda Kelly, Grandchildren: Travis, Zane, Monica; Great Grandchildren: Bella, Bryson, Essie & Lilly, numerous nieces and nephews and her many friends - I go back many years with Ellis, maybe 50+ years when I was able to make frequent, very enjoyable and enriching trips to her Merle Norman Studio in Mooresville; but now live in Western NC and haven't seen Ellis in years; made a trip to Mooresville about 3yrs ago but was on a Monday and the studio was not open; so disappointed. I strongly agree with comments I read in Mooresville Tribune "Queen of Mooresville - a fitting tribute." Ellis was certainly an honorable, outstanding lady with a wealth of knowledge in all respects and a tremendous outreach, becoming a mentor & inspiration in so many lives, with no one excluded, throughout her entire life. Ellis's honesty, trustworthiness, respectability that she shared with everyone deeply enriched our lives immeasurably so it is truly an honor to have known Ellis. And so it is with life . . . what we see when watching others depends on the purity of the window through which we look and this was the way Ellis lived her life without any reservations; not for any praise or recognition from man but from the deepest desires of her heart. Ellis will be greatly missed by all; but will live on in our hearts forever - as memories never die. What a contribution to this world she has impacted on all that were fortunate to walk in her path. Remembering a "Very Special Friendship with a Very Special Lady" and all the times we were honored to share with Ellis. Deepest Sympathy, Love, Care & Concern
Carol Jordan Phillips

Carol Jordan Phillips - March 18, 2018 at 12:00 AM

VM

“ Rest in beautiful peace, will always remember how very kind you were to me and how much you loved Libra and Mark

vicki mayberry - March 16, 2018 at 12:00 AM

TK

“ *Ms. Ellis was a great inspiration. She was loved by many and a friend to all. May she rest in peace. Thoughts and prayers to her family and at this difficult time.*

Taffy Kilroe - March 16, 2018 at 12:00 AM

NN

“ *A sweet and kind to all woman. RIP my friend.*

Nina Newton-Wall - March 15, 2018 at 12:00 AM

LJ

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with her family and many friends. I had the pleasure of knowing her and brought her groceries when she was in need of something when she was unable to drive. I loved her very much and will miss her even more. We would sit and talk, she would show me pictures of her husband and her children. She was so proud of them all. RIP sweet lady. The Lord gained an absolutely wonderful angel.*

Linda Jones - March 15, 2018 at 12:00 AM