



## Estelle Alice Mott

June 2, 1922 - October 21, 2019

Davidson – Mrs. Estelle Icard Mott died on Monday, October 21, 2019 at The Pines at Davidson.

Born on June 2, 1922 in Catawba County, Estelle was born into the family of her maternal grandparents, Albert Monroe Icard and Fannie Elmina Garrison Icard, and was raised by members of that household.

Mrs. Mott was a graduate of Maiden High School, Lees McRae College, Catawba College, and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. She was a teacher in Sylacauga, Alabama, Hiwassee Dam, NC, Mooresville, NC, Odell School in Cabarrus County, and North Mecklenburg High School in Mecklenburg County.

From 1950-1990, Estelle was an active member of St. Mark's Evangelical Lutheran Church, where she taught Sunday School, served on the Church Council, and was a

member of the Women's Circle. In 1990, she became a member of First Presbyterian Church, Mooresville, NC.

Mrs. Mott was married to Charles Phillips Mott on January 14, 1950. She was preceded in death by her husband, Phil, in 1965. After growing up in Maiden,

she lived her married life in Mooresville, NC from 1950-2008. She moved to The Pines in Davidson, NC in 2008. She is survived by her two sons, Charles Phillips Mott, III (and wife, Kris) of Bradenton, Florida and Mark Anthony Mott of Sagaponack, New York. Mrs. Mott is also survived by family members that include: Janet Cloninger (and husband, Pat) of Newton, NC, Patricia Waddell (and husband, Maurice) of Charlotte, NC, Marilyn McRee (and husband, James) of Maiden, NC, Joe Lineberger of Oxon Hill, MD, Claude Barber of Gastonia, NC, Anne Lemons (and husband, Don) of Newton, NC, Linda Bolick of Hickory, NC, Bob Baucom (and wife, Barbara) of Myrtle Beach, SC, and special family friend, Elaine Nelson.

Throughout her life, Estelle enjoyed her students, playing bridge, reading, and traveling. She would like to be remembered as responsible and grateful.

Funeral Services will be held at 2:00 PM on Saturday, October 26 at First Presbyterian Church, Mooresville, NC, with Dr. David F. Rockness officiating.

Memorials may be made to First Presbyterian Church, 249 West McLelland Avenue, Mooresville, NC, 28115 or The Pines, 400 Avinger Lane, Davidson, NC, 28036.

Cavin-Cook Funeral Home & Crematory, Mooresville, is serving the Mott family. Condolences may be made to the family at [www.cavin-cook.com](http://www.cavin-cook.com).

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

OCT **26**. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

First Presbyterian Church  
249 W. McLelland Ave.  
 Mooresville, NC 28115

# Tribute Wall



“ *Estelle Alice Mott*

February 14, 2021 at 11:24 AM



“ *Estelle Alice Mott*

February 14, 2021 at 11:04 AM



“ *Estelle Alice Mott*

February 14, 2021 at 11:03 AM



“ *I am saddened to read of Estelle's passing Her former students thought highly of her, and her colleagues admired her dedication to the profession. Many will miss her enduring qualities.*

**Michael Shinn** - October 28, 2019 at 03:00 PM



“ *Mrs Mott was one of my favorite teachers! She always showed enthusiasm in her teaching and interest in her students! I have thought of her many times over the years! Rest In Peace! Marla Faulkenberry NMHS Class of '81!*

**marla little faulkenberry** - October 27, 2019 at 11:51 AM

A'

“Mrs. Mott was one of the best teachers I ever had. She made her classes fun and inspiring. Even at 72 I remember her reciting the witches scene from Shakespeare. I was so entranced. My condolences to you, her family and close friends.

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**Anda Williams Cochran (North '65)** - October 25, 2019 at 11:38 PM

DW

“Of three superb teachers I experienced at North Meck, she was the pinnacle, and equal of three superb professors at NCSU. She taught AP English which I was fortunate to experience for two years, and they remain with me to this day.

Having reconnected with her 10 years ago, I was surprised to see her taken aback when I said (notwithstanding the often used description) that she truly made a difference. I think she was being modest because, surely, she had heard that many times from so many who also loved her.

In class, she was strong, demanding, and fair, all of which were encompassed by humor, compassion, and perceptive intelligence. I loved her then, and have done so ever since. I will continue that love forever.

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**Darryl Wally** - October 25, 2019 at 09:35 PM

ML

“A quintessential southern lady. Charming and graceful dignified and classy. A brilliant mind and a keen wit and sense of humor. She was respected and loved by many as a teacher and served her family with distinction during her time as our Matriarch. Fiercely independent and loyal. Till we see you again... we will miss the laughs, the lessons, your letters, and your love. What a difference you made in our lives!

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**Mitch Lemons** - October 25, 2019 at 08:15 PM

TG

“ Everyone has that one special teacher....

*Estelle Mott was that teacher for me. I was in her Women in Literature class. I was also her student assistant. Through bumpy family times in my life, she was there. Through the years, we wrote, we visited....*

*She came to Hickory for my first wedding in 1980. I still have the very special note and gift she gave me. My last visits were in Davidson - for coffee at Starbucks and at the Pines where she allowed me to sit in on her bridge game. We spoke of our love of reading. We spoke of living on the same street in Mooresville many years ago. We spoke of the time she wanted to open her home to me.*

*I admired Mrs. Mott. She taught; raised two sons; achieved her Masters degree....much of this as a young widowed woman. She was passionate and caring. I will always remember her face full of expression and caring.*

*She was a true treasure. My life was deeply blessed by her presence in it.*

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**Tracye Claytor Gilleland** - October 25, 2019 at 08:08 PM

SM

“ Of all the teachers I had over the years she is one I will always remember with fondness. She helped very much to develop my love of literature. I am so sorry for your loss.

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**Susan Sharpe McClain** - October 25, 2019 at 04:41 PM

ED

“ Such a classy, funny, smart as a whip lady. I knew her at First Pres and am saddened by her death. Elaine Drye

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**Elaine Drye** - October 25, 2019 at 04:12 PM

MW

“ So sorry for your loss. She was a special teacher who brought English Literature alive for me. I enjoyed running into her and catching up on what she was doing. She was a kind and gracious lady who i will always remember. Prayers for the family.

Marta Wilson Washam - October 25, 2019 at 03:56 PM

LW

“ Mrs. Mott was one of my favorite teachers at North Meck. and a dear friend of my mom, Carol White, at The Pines. I always enjoyed seeing her smiling face when I came to visit. She will be missed by me and by many others.

Locke White

locke white - October 25, 2019 at 03:46 PM

CR

I'm am deeply sorry to hear of Mrs. Mott's passing. She was genuine in all respects; even past her teaching years at North Meck. So many of us are blessed and thankful for all she taught her students those many years! Thank you, Mrs. Mott!

Cindy Wally Robinette - October 25, 2019 at 07:22 PM

ES

“ Phil,  
So sorry for the loss of your mom.  
Emma Jane Stamey



Emma Jane Stamey - October 25, 2019 at 02:54 PM

LM

“ Mrs. Mott was my 12th grade English (British Lit) teacher. I remember her fondly. She shared keen knowledge and exuberant passion during every class. I remember her dipping her head right in front of our faces on numerous occasions to make a dramatic point about a certain work. Her eyes would sparkle she waxed eloquent about various authors. Grateful to have had her as a teacher. She was hard but fair! I bumped into her at SouthPark Mall in the 90's. That is the last time I saw her.

*Blessing and prayers to all of you family members and close friends as you mourn her loss.*

*- Leslie Stephenson Matz (Class of 1978 at North Meck)*

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**Leslie Stephenson Matz** - October 25, 2019 at 12:05 PM

SD

“ We're so sorry for your loss. Estelle was such an inspiration to all of us on the third floor of the Pines. We'll miss her..  
Sincerely,  
Sarah and E. B. Dyer

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**Sarah and E.B. Dyer** - October 25, 2019 at 11:31 AM

JC

“ John and Lisa Charde purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Estelle Alice Mott.



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**John and Lisa Charde** - October 24, 2019 at 06:16 PM