



Joyce Keels

March 18, 1931 - December 16, 2018

Joyce Nicholson Keels, 87, of Mooresville, passed away on Sunday, December 16, 2018 at her residence.

She was born on March 18, 1931 in Oconee County, SC, to the late James and Lena Richardson Nicholson. Mrs. Keels was a retired counselor for Crossroads Behavioral Healthcare. She was a member of First Baptist Church Mooresville.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Tom Keels; and a brothers, James R. Nicholson, Jr and Franklin Nicholson.

She is survived by her children, Thomas Keels, Jr. (Dr. Cheryl Lane), Debra Davis (JC), Joycelyn Armstrong (Lance); sister, Edna Harris; brothers, Henry and Harold Nicholson; grandchildren, Ava and Dallas Armstrong, Kate Watson; and great granddaughter, Mills Ruth Watson.

The family will receive friends on Friday, December 21 from 1:00-2:00 PM with a service following at 2:00 PM at First Baptist Church Mooresville with Rev. Dr. Jerry Cloninger officiating.

Memorials may be made to First Baptist Church, 150 S Church St, Mooresville, NC 28115.

Cavin-Cook Funeral Home & Crematory, Mooresville, is serving the Keels family. Condolences may be made to the family at www.cavin-cook.com.

Cemetery Details

Laurel Wood Cemetery

Rock Hill, SC 29730

Previous Events

Receiving Friends

DEC **21**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

First Baptist Church-Mooresville
150 S. Church Street
Mooresville, NC 28115

Funeral Service

DEC **21**. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

First Baptist Church-Mooresville
150 S. Church Street
Mooresville, NC 28115

Graveside Service

DEC **22**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Laurelwood Cemetery
143 Laurel St.
Rock Hill, SC 29730

Tribute Wall



“ *Joyce Keels*

February 14, 2021 at 11:24 AM



“ *Joyce Keels*

February 14, 2021 at 11:04 AM



“ *Joyce Keels*

February 14, 2021 at 11:03 AM



“ *Thomas, so sorry to hear about the passing of your mother. My prayers are with you and your family during this time.*

Marsha McMichael Stutts (FHHS '74)

Marsha Stutts - December 23, 2018 at 06:06 AM



“ *Joycelyn, I am so sorry for your loss. I worked with you at Camp Dogwood one summer and I had the pleasure of meeting your sweet mom when she came to see you. Praying for your family. Hugs from Taiwan.*

Susie Hughes - December 22, 2018 at 11:02 PM

MG

“ Dear Joycelyn and Debra, I had the privilege of volunteering at the Baptist Toy Charity last Christmas with your precious mother. She was so friendly and sweet. It was pretty chilly that day but she was happy to be able to do what she could to help children to have a happy Christmas. We got to talking and somehow realized that I knew her two daughters. I am so sorry for your loss. My time with her was short but so memorable. One thing I do remember is that she loved her daughters very much and was very proud of them. God bless you all,
Marsha Gaither

Marsha Gaither - December 19, 2018 at 10:14 PM

TN

“ Dear friend, sharp brain, and great humor, will be deeply missed. Praying for family and friends left behind.

Tom Nixon - December 19, 2018 at 03:55 PM

HK

“ Joyce was perky, creative, ready to give her opinion when asked, willing to be involved, in full control of herself and I've only known her the past 6 years. She offered me her poetry for a newsletter showing me her love for writing. Then I heard writing runs in her family. To me there is no one else like Joyce Keels. She is a friend, an advisor and humorist. I am shocked at her passing as well as grieved for she left an emptiness I very much miss in just knowing she is no longer here. Praising Him that she is in His care now! Joyce, you've left a trail of admirers saddened by your departure.
Holly Kirby of Mooresville



Holly Kirby - December 19, 2018 at 10:37 AM