



Charlena Edmondson Midkiff

April 7, 1927 - January 29, 2016

Charlena Edmondson Midkiff, age 88, died January 29, 2016. She was the wife of the late J. T. Midkiff.

Born on April 7, 1927, in Carrolton, Arkansas, Mrs. Midkiff was the daughter of the late James Quincy and Iva Jones Edmondson, and a member of the First Baptist Church of Walnut Ridge, where she taught a Ladies Sunday School class and held other positions of responsibility. She was a retired public school teacher. Mrs. Midkiff attended Ouachita Baptist University and later graduated from Arkansas State University.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, two infant sons, John Thomas and Jimmy Kemp Midkiff, a sister, Edith Moody, and a brother Lindsay.

Survivors include a sister, Aleen Cochran of California; five sons and their families: Paul and Sharon Midkiff of Little Rock, Drs. David and Sheri Midkiff of Portia, Lieutenant Colonel Stephen (ret.) and Major Deborah Midkiff (ret.) of Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania, Phillip and Diane Midkiff of Hoxie, and Daniel and Ann Midkiff of Benham, Kentucky. Grandchildren include Johnny and Chrissy, Bobby and Abby, Joseph, Brandt and Shannon, Bill, Sam and Brooke, Dr. Paul Andrew and Julie, Scott and Lori, and Charlie Midkiff and Larry Green. Great-grandchildren are Sam, Katie, Kayla, Ethan, Noah, Andrew, Grady,

Clementine, Madelyn, Emma, and Evan Midkiff.

Dr. Tom Jones officiating.

Grandsons will serve as pallbearers.

Memorials may be made to the First Baptist Church of Walnut Ridge or the Charity of choice.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN **30**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

First Baptist Church of Walnut Ridge
317 SW Front St.
Walnut Ridge, AR 72476

Funeral Service

JAN **31**. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Interment

JAN **31** (CT)

Lawrence Memorial Park
Colonial Dr.
Walnut Ridge, AR 72476

Tribute Wall

DM

“ I just want to express my condolence on the passing of your mother. Although many years have passed, I still have fond memories of her welcoming me to her home, when I was visiting with Stephen and Phillip.

David Moore
mooredavid1962@gmail.com

David Moore - February 16, 2016 at 10:13 AM

SH

“ So sorry about your loss. May memories bring you peace ... Isaiah 26:3



Sharon - February 07, 2016 at 04:11 PM

JS

“ I just learned of the passing of Mrs. Midkiff and was saddened this morning to hear the news. It's ironic that I just used her name yesterday in response to a question about who was my third grade teacher. When I was a boy growing up out at College City I was blessed to know the Midkiff's and their five boys, though they were all older than me. I haven't crossed paths with them in many years, but still cherish fond memories of those days growing up. Mrs. Midkiff was such a wonderful, godly woman. I was blessed to know and be taught by her. Please accept my condolences. What a godly legacy she left her family.

Jay F Shell - February 04, 2016 at 08:13 AM

LL

“ To the Midkiff family: I was so saddened to read of your mother's passing. May our dear Lord and Savior hold you close and give you the peace that only He can give. Laura Bradley Linn

Laura B. Linn - February 01, 2016 at 09:47 PM

SG

“ Always a very sweet lady with the kindness smile. Will miss her and her family as they came everyday to push her around the facility. God bless you all

Shirley Gates - January 31, 2016 at 04:20 PM

ST

“ Thoughts and prayers to all of the Midkiff's. Mrs. Midkiff was very kind and pleasant to be around.

Scott and Tammy Hogue

Scott and Tammy - January 31, 2016 at 03:35 PM

DM

“ To a wonderful family that always make me feel like family. I have many memories of your family, one is the smile that your mother always exhibited. She always made me feel welcomed and was very kind. I will always remember her with her smile.

Your mother did a great job raising and caring for all of you and your families. A few years back while traveling around Arkansas, I stopped by to see her in Hoxie. Even though we had not seen each other in several years, she greeted me with her smile and open arms. I think we were both excited. While visiting she made sure I knew where each of her boys were and what they were doing. She was very proud of each of you and I understand why. You all always made me feel like family and I will never forget it.

May God be with each of you and your families during this time.

My thoughts and prayers are with you. Wish I could be there with you all.

Sincerely,
Doug Milligan

Doug Milligan - January 31, 2016 at 12:25 PM

LW

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the family at this time. Mrs. Midkiff was my teacher at White Oak School she was very sweet and kind. I learned a lot from her and she will never be forgotten.



Linda (Sinks) Walker - January 30, 2016 at 07:19 PM



“ *SO SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS! MRS, MIDKIFF WAS A SWEET, WONDERFUL NEIGHBOR FOR SEVERAL YEARS! ESTHER AND JR,*

Esther Montgomery - January 30, 2016 at 03:31 PM



“ *The Charlena Midkiff family: Your Father and Mother were great friends to me from the time I arrived on the SBC/WBC campus back those many years ago. My love and respect for them only grew across the years.*

May the Lord's peace be with each of you.

Joy Ring

Joy Ring - January 30, 2016 at 01:57 PM



“ *So sorry for your loss. Floyd and Judy Forrester.*

Judy Forrester - January 29, 2016 at 08:55 PM