



Lilly Miller Briley

January 8, 1926 - October 10, 2013

Lilly Louise Miller Briley enjoyed her first cup of coffee in heaven Thursday morning, October 10, 2013. She promptly instructed St. Peter in its proper preparation going forward. Once she was certain he understood, she rejoined family awaiting her: father, Manual Miller; mother, Hattie Dubose Miller; sisters, Eva Miller Smallwood and Cleo Miller Dover; brothers, Don Miller and Terrell "Brother" Miller.

Her family and friends will celebrate her life on Saturday, October 12, 2013 at Haddock Baptist Church in Haddock GA, where she was a life time member. Family will gather at the church at 1:00 p.m. for visiting and story-telling and gardening tips, followed by the service at 2:00 p.m.

Mrs. Briley was a life-long resident of Jones County, disregarding a youthful exuberance that took her to the big city of Macon and the wartime USO, where she met her dear friends Edna and Jack Bell. She traveled as far afield as South Carolina and Delaware, before love of family brought her home again. She attended Haddock Elementary and was graduated from Jones County High School in 1941.

She is survived by her immediate family: sons, Joseph Briley, Jr and Jason Briley; daughter, Brandyn Briley; daughters-in-law, Patrice Briley and Debbie Briley; grandchildren: Trip and Cady Sandifer; Jason, James and Jessica

Briley; and Megan and Joseph Briley; great-grandchildren: Finnian Sandifer and Payce Benjamin Neville; sisters, Evie Miller Martin and Fleeta Miller McCarty; brother, Roy W. Miller; her extended family, nearly everyone in Jones County; and her extraordinary and loving caregivers: Joan Davis, Lisa Horton and Melody Kennedy and dozens of nieces and nephews.

In addition, she is survived by flower gardens all over Gray, GA; notably, the public gardens in front of the government center and the private gardens of her many friends, with whom she shared bulbs and her love of flowers over the years. Her favorite, naturally, is the Lilly.

Cemetery Details

Haddock Baptist Church Cemetery

180 Ethridge Road
Haddock, GA 31033

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 12. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Haddock Baptist Church
180 Ethridge Road
Haddock, GA 31033
[http://haddockbaptistchurch.com/?](http://haddockbaptistchurch.com/)

Service

OCT 12. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

TW

“ *Briley Family, Teresa and I send our prayers and love following the passing of Mrs. Briley. We have strong and good memories of her. You all are some of our favorite people.*
Thomas White

Thomas White - October 13, 2013 at 07:51 PM

LM

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Luther & Berta and friends at Johnnie McDade Grocery.*



LUTHER MINOR - October 12, 2013 at 09:59 AM

TD

“ TO THE FAMILY OF LILLY LOUISE BRILEY

The untimely death of Aunt Lilly Briley was received with much sadness. Please accept our personal and sincere condolences. Please know our hearts ache at your loss, but we know that her legacy will always be with us.

Aunt Lilly was a kind, Christian and distinguished lady and as I reflect back, I remember well that her life bent toward fairness and justice for all and she truly possessed that American quality. She walked and led with grace, dignity and pride.

Her death should serve as a reminder to all of us that a life lived believing, caring, loving your family and helping others is the only life that really matters. Gone from our eyes, but never forgotten in our hearts.

G. Thomas DuBose Family

Tom DuBose - October 11, 2013 at 05:33 PM

HD

“ *It is hard to believe that Aunt Lilly is gone. I can truly say, look out heaven. With her and my mother get together, there will be flowers planted everywhere up there. Joey, Jason, "Denise", I honestly know how you are feeling. I went through this three times in two years, my wife, mother in law and then my mother. I love you all and if needed, I am here for you. Cousin Harvey*

Harvey Dover - October 11, 2013 at 03:15 PM

DB

“ My condolences to the Briley family. "Marvel not at this: for the hour is coming in which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice; And shall come forth..." (John 5:28-29)
May Jesus' promise comfort you.

Dolores Baker - October 11, 2013 at 02:51 PM

AR

“ I would like to offer my heart-felt condolences to you and your family during this time of loss of your beloved mother-in law. May God continue to be with you and grant His eternal peace.
Arlene Roberge

Arlene Roberge - October 11, 2013 at 10:22 AM

KY

“ Patrice, I just wanted to say I am sorry for your mother-in-law's passing. Please accept my condolences. I pray you and your family can find peace in her loss.

"As you were you will always be,
Treasured forever in our memory."

Kyle - October 11, 2013 at 09:05 AM

RR

“ Patrice, We were so sorry to hear of the passing of your mother-in-law. I was told that you two were very close and that is so wonderful. I'm sure you made her later life a joy. Our hearts are with you during this time of mourning as are our prayers. If there is anything that I or anyone here at work can do, please let us know.

Rich Rhodes

Rich Rhodes - October 11, 2013 at 08:40 AM

SO

Patrice, I am really saddened to hear of the passing of your mother-in-law. You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers.

Sinan Othman

Sinan Othman - October 11, 2013 at 08:56 AM

MM

“ Patrice, we are all so sorry to hear of your mother-in-laws passing. These things are always so difficult to bare with a lot of "what if's" and " I wish I had or hadn't". (This is natural!) But don't plaque yourself with that. She knew you loved her and that is what counts. We do all we feel like we can at the time and have to move on. May you and your family find comfort in knowing that others care.

Melba/I.S. Family

Melba Mason - October 11, 2013 at 08:12 AM

ST

Patrice, sorry again for your loss! As our loved ones get older and leave us, we find large holes they leave us on the Sands of time, I pray that you, Joe and your families will find comfort that she is no longer in pain and find solace that you shall see her again. As the good word says "there is time for everything...." stay strong and keep loving, living and fulfilling what He put you here to accomplish! Please let me know if there is anything my family an I can do to assist. May the mercies of the Lord encamp and comfort you in this time of grief; Blessings!

Siggy Tetteh

Siggy Tetteh - October 11, 2013 at 09:11 AM