



## Gaynell Myrick Heaps

August 26, 1943 - November 22, 2022

Gaynell Myrick Heaps, born August 26, 1943, to Gene & Helen Myrick passed away on Tuesday, November 22, 2022, at the age of 79.

Gaynell was a member of Bethsaida Missionary Baptist Church for many years, where she also taught the Children's Sunday School Class. She was currently a member of Prairie Grove Baptist Church. She wanted to live her life in such a way, that she felt that she had preached her own funeral. She knew by watching the elderly ladies in the church that she wanted what they had, salvation, babies, and a good family. The Lord sent her a good Christian man and then blessed them with three beautiful girls who were their pride and joy. God then sent them beautiful grandchildren and wonderful great-grandchildren. One of Gaynell's favorite sayings was "Why worry, why fear, when Jesus Christ our Lord is near".

She leaves to cherish her memories, her daughters, Laura Hodge (Michael), Cynthia Scott (Tim), and Amy Reed (the late Steve Reed); grandchildren, Matthew King (Kimberly), Lauren McCluskey (Alex), Mariah Hodge, Clay Hodge, Emma Reed, Drew Reed; great-grandchildren, Noah King, Miles King, Samuel McCluskey, Caroline McCluskey; sisters, Carol Murray and Wanda Myrick; nieces & nephews; honorary grandchildren, Josh Upchurch and Hannah Costello; special friends, Eloise Heaps, Vernell McKay, Helen Laster, Judy Scott; and her beloved dog, Oreo.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Drewey Billy Heaps; parents, Eugene & Helen (Johnson) Myrick; brother, Will Myrick; and grandson, Will

Scott.

The visitation will be 12:00 - 2:00 p.m. Friday, November 25, 2022, at Spry Memorial Chapel. The service will follow at 2:00 p.m. in the chapel with Mark Lane and Matthew King speaking at the service. The pallbearers will be Tony Myrick, Paden Myrick, Ronnie Allen, Roger Allen, Scotty Hacker, Aaron Creasy, and Justin Coan.

We want to sincerely thank the nurses and staff of Burns Nursing Home and the Hospice of North Alabama for your love and care of our family.

Spry Memorial Chapel assisted the family. To have us sign the book for you, please free to call or to leave private condolences, please visit our website at [www.sprymemorialchapel.com](http://www.sprymemorialchapel.com).

# Tribute Wall

MR

“ *Gaynell was a very sweet lady. I  
Went to school with her in Russellville,Al.*

Mary Flippen (formerly from Russellville) - December 20, 2022 at 12:00 AM

HC

“ *So sorry for your loss. Thinking of all of you.*

Helen and Barry Campbell - November 26, 2022 at 12:00 AM

HC

“ *So sorry for your loss. Thinking of all of you.*

Helen and Barry Campbell - November 25, 2022 at 12:00 AM

RM

“ *Laura, Cynthia, Amy and families. We are so SAD and heartbroken over the loss of your sweet precious Mother and our dear Aunt Gaynell. She was a beautiful and sweet person, inside and out. She will really be missed but we hope you can take comfort in knowing she is no longer suffering and can breath without oxygen now. She is walking on streets of gold with your sweet Dad that she has been without for so many years. We regret we could not be with you today because of health issues, but we are there in spirit and our thoughts and prayers are with you. We will be praying for comfort, peace and strength for now and the days and weeks to come. We know how you feel and that hurt will lessen in time. Keep your eyes on Jesus and He will get you through this. We love you all. Sending our love, thoughts and most of all our prayers.*



Roger and Sheila Mims - November 25, 2022 at 12:00 AM

PP

“ Loved Gaynell to pieces her and Carol were my honorary Aunts, I will never forget her laugh and all the kindness she gave me, I have you all in my prayers and am thinking of you all.

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**Pam Myrick Parker** - November 23, 2022 at 12:00 AM

DK

“ I am so thankful knowing Gaynell all these years. My Mothers family & her family grew up together. I know she is with her Lord & all her Love ones she has been waiting to see. Until we all meet again. Thinking of her family & friends. Love to all of you & so sorry for your loss.



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**Donna king** - November 22, 2022 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ Family of Gaynell: I am sorry for your loss. I graduated high school with Gaynell. She was a precious person, and never changed over the years. Always thinking of others.

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**Betty Sparks** - November 22, 2022 at 12:00 AM