



Martha Roberts Killian

November 2, 1945 - March 26, 2025

Martha Roberts Killian went to her Eternal Home in Heaven on Wednesday, March 26, 2025. She is survived by her husband of more than sixty years, Gerald W. Killian, and she is survived by two adult sons, Thomas Killian (Virginia) of Cartersville, Georgia, and Andrew Killian (Venita) of Duluth, Georgia. She is survived by five grandchildren, Nicholas (and Sarah) Killian, Bailey Killian, Emily Killian, Miles Killian, and Samuel Killian, and great grandson Parker Killian.

Martha was born in Atlanta, Georgia, in 1945 to P.W. Roberts and Clara Oline Cooper Roberts. The Roberts family settled in Valley Head, Alabama, where they welcomed the arrival of Martha's baby brother, John Roberts (Dianne) now living in Deatsville, Alabama. They have 3 Grandchildren.

After high school, Martha attended Auburn University where she met her husband-to-be, Gerald. After his graduation, he accepted a position in Naperville, Illinois, with CECO Steel Products, Inc. During mid-career, and while raising their sons, Martha found time in the evening and early morning hours to study for college classes at University of Tennessee-Chattanooga to earn her Bachelor degree in Education. They have lived and worked in Chattanooga, Jacksonville, Indiana, and moved to Aiken, South Carolina in 1988. Gerald began work at Savannah River Site and Martha taught Special Education at the primary level in S.C. public and private schools.

Martha and Gerald have been active in Presbyterian churches in Aiken, and, since 2004 in First Presbyterian Church of Augusta. Martha was very active in church outreach to encourage church members and visitors in times of need. Along with her surviving family, Martha will be missed by their church family members and many dear friends.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Monday at Grace Presbyterian Church with Rev. John Mathieu, Dr. Ken McHeard, and Dr. Michael Hearon officiating. Burial will follow in Gravel Hill Cemetery. The family will receive friends Monday from 12 noon until the 2 p.m. hour of service.

Wilson Funeral Home and Crematory of Fort Payne is in charge of arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Gravel Hill Cemetery

14701 US Highway 11
Fort Payne, AL 35967

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 31. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Grace Presbyterian Church
5760 Gault Ave N
Fort Payne, AL 35967-8174
(256) 845-4756

Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ Our deepest love and sympathy to Gerald and family with the passing of Martha Joan. She is now in the presence of the Lord worshipping and praising Him. What a wonderful, well lived, Christian example. Well done, good and faithful servant!

James (Jim) and Charlotte Davenport - March 31, 2025 at 12:42 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Martha Roberts Killian.



March 30, 2025 at 06:56 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Martha Roberts Killian.

March 30, 2025 at 06:09 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Martha Roberts Killian.



March 30, 2025 at 06:09 PM

FB

“ From Mark, Mary Ann and Brad Bradford purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Martha Roberts Killian.



From Mark, Mary Ann and Brad Bradford - March 30, 2025 at 05:42 PM

MB

“ I will always remember the wonderful summer days my family and I spent with the Roberts family in Vally Head when I was a boy. I recall that Martha Jone was a loving and gracious person who never had an unkind thing to say about anyone. She was a joy to be around. In recent years, as her health was failing, those qualities never wavered. She was a treasure trove of memories of our family's history in years gone by. She will be deeply and truly missed on this side of Heaven. I will rejoice to see her again.
Mark Bradford

mark Bradford - March 30, 2025 at 04:46 PM

RM

“ Gerald, we were saddened to learn of Martha's passing. We will remember her as a true friend that could be counted on for support and assistance should the need arise. We will miss her dearly and will be here for you and your family as you transition from these sad times. Roger and Rachel Moore

Roger L. Moore - March 30, 2025 at 03:21 PM

CL

“ Cheryl Little lit a candle in memory of Martha Roberts Killian



Cheryl Little - March 30, 2025 at 02:58 PM

KP

“ Ken P. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Martha Roberts Killian.

Ken P. - March 30, 2025 at 02:23 PM

KP

“ Ken P. purchased the Forever Our Angel Bouquet for the family of Martha Roberts Killian.



Ken P. - March 30, 2025 at 02:23 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Martha Roberts Killian.

March 30, 2025 at 01:50 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Martha Roberts Killian.*



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“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Martha Roberts Killian.*



March 29, 2025 at 04:03 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Martha Roberts Killian.*

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