



Colleen Barnard

July 31, 1924 - July 31, 2012

Colleen Barnard, 88, of Kingston, Tennessee Died Tuesday, July 31, at home.

She was the beloved wife of Ray Barnard (deceased), and is survived by her children: Mary Nancy Martin, Ramona and Rick Holt, and Margaret and David Hayes; grandchildren: Margaret Ellen Miller; Lara, Joseph, and Julia Holt; Alyson and Matthew Hayes, and great-grandchildren; Amanda, EJ, and Christian Melendez; Maddie Sievert and Ethan Lininger. Mrs. Barnard is preceded in death by her parents, Nancy Ellen Baugh Heany and Collie Baugh.

Mrs. Barnard was born in Kingston in 1923 and has made it her lifelong home. Her ancestral home on Race Street was located on the site of the current Roane County Courthouse. Her family acquired the home in 1850 and until the time of its destruction, nine generations of the family had lived there. Mrs. Barnard has been recognized by the East Tennessee Historical Society as a "First Tennessee Family," having her direct ancestors as settlers prior to Tennessee acquiring statehood in 1796.

One of Mrs. Barnard's hobbies was family genealogy, perhaps inspired by her close relationship with her grandparents, Ada and Charles Matheny, and her great-grandparents, Maggie Lowery and James Madison (Matt) Hartley.

Mrs. Barnard graduated from Roane County High School and received her Bachelor's degree from Maryville College. She also received a National Science Foundation Fellowship in field botany through the Master's degree program at Duke University. Throughout her life, Mrs. Barnard impacted thousands of student lives as a school teacher for 35 years, a piano teacher, and a city recreational director. She was recognized as Teacher of the Year and served terms as President and Vice President for the Roane County Retired Teachers Association.

She was an active member of Kingston United Methodist Church and has served as choir director, organist, and Sunday School teacher over the years.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made in Colleen Barnard's memory to Kingston United Methodist Church (212 W. Church Street, Kingston, TN 37763) or Alzheimer's Tennessee, Inc. (www.alztennessee.org).

Tribute Wall

RT

“ I'm very sorry for your loss. Mrs. Barnard was my 5th grade teacher. She also taught me piano, even when I was not really interested. She was, to me, that one teacher that you never forget. I have often thought about her through the years and I am very thankful that she was part of my childhood.

Rhonda Badger - Kingston, TN - teacher/student - August 09, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CT

“ I'm so sorry to hear of the passing of your mother. She was a wonderful lady who touched many lives of students in Roane County. God bless you all.

Cathy Avera Houser - TN - August 04, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ Your Family is in our prayers,REST IN PEACE

Ms.Dot Rowland Family - Kingston, TN - Friend - August 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ My prayers are with the entire family. I know she will be missed by all of you.

Sandra

Sandra White - Ten Mile, TN - Friend - August 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

HT

“ God Bless each during this time.

Helen Wallace - Kingston, TN - August 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ *My thoughts are with family and friends.*

Margaret Campen - Kingston, TN - Student - August 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

AD

“ *Want the three of you and your families to know that I am thinking of you. Your mother and dad were two of the most delightful people I have known. Our families have shared many connections and i am most thankful for the friendships. Your mother's legacy as a teacher is deep and widespread. I celebrate her life and join you in mourning your loss. Blessings, Anne Grisham Dabbs*

Anne Grisham Dabbs - August 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ *•May the comfort of God help you during this difficult time, with fondest remembrances.*

Jan Jennings Stone - August 01, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ *May God much bless the Barnard family and give them peace in the security of knowing one of 'our teachers' is in the loving care of our Lord. Thank you Mrs. Banard for everything you have done for our small town.*

Bob Muecke - Knoxville, TN - Student of Mrs. Barnard - August 01, 2012 at 12:00 AM