



Harriet "Rose" McMurray Taylor

May 15, 1925 - April 27, 2017

Harriet "Rose" McMurray Taylor, 91, of Kingston, TN, passed away April 27, 2017 at Bell-Minor Home in Gainesville, GA. She was born on May 15, 1925 in Kingston, TN to the late Ralph and Helen (Rose) McMurray. Rose was raised by her late aunts: Mary Ruth Rose and Rachel Rose Liggett and graduated from Kingston High School in 1943. She was employed at JA Jones, which built the Oak Ridge nuclear facility during World War II, earned money for college tuition and graduated from the University of South Carolina in 1947 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration. She was a highly respected educator in the Roane County School System for over 30 years and was a life long member of Kingston First Baptist Church. Rose was preceded in death by her husband, Curtis Gene Taylor, whom she married in 1949 and her older brother, Gene McMurray. She is survived by her brother, Don McMurray and his wife, Jo, of Kingston, TN, and her four children: Ernest G. Taylor, and his wife, Dinah, of Pawleys Island, SC, Mary Rachel Sheridan and her husband, Bob, of Lenoir City, TN, Alan G. Taylor and his wife, Cheryl, of Memphis, TN, and Sally Rose Walpole, and her husband, Howard "Bo", of Gainesville, GA. She is also survived by five grandchildren: Brad Taylor and his wife, Anna, Russ Taylor and his wife, Jessica, Greg Taylor and his wife, Amanda, William Taylor, and Meredith Taylor, and six great-grandchildren: Caleb, Kathryn Rose, Clayton, Karis Marie, Roane, and Flynn McMurray Taylor, and eight nieces and nephews and their families. Rose will be greatly missed by all who loved her and we carry her love of family in our

hearts. The family wishes to thank Dr. Miriam Tedder of Harriman, TN and the staff of Jamestown Assisted Living Center of Kingston, TN for their care and kindness. A private, family graveside service will be held on Saturday, May 6, at Kingston Memorial Gardens. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Kingston First Baptist Church, 215 N Kentucky Street, Kingston, TN 37763. Kyker Funeral Home of Kingston in charge of arrangements

Cemetery Details

Kingston Memorial Gardens

123 Oak Drive
Kingston, TN 37763

Tribute Wall



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Harriet "Rose" McMurray Taylor.*



May 05, 2017 at 02:20 PM



“ *I had Mrs. Taylor for typing in the mid seventies at Midway. . She was a wonderful teacher. Prayers for her family. Sandra Kimbel White.*

Sandra White - May 04, 2017 at 04:31 PM



“ *I had Mrs. Taylor for shorthand and typing at Midway High School in the mid-seventies, and thought the world of her. She was a kind and giving human being and earned the respect of her students. Thank you for sharing her with us. I know she is a blessing from God and He is rejoicing with her now and forever.*



former student

Pamela (Marshall) Hughes - May 03, 2017 at 05:47 AM

CD

“ In honor of Rose--dear friend, neighbor, and distant relative--and for those she loved and who love her:

Never a Last Good By

*Somehow my heart can never learn to say
A last good-by, entirely and completely,
To anything I ever loved. There may
Be folk who can accomplish severance neatly
With no loose ends of longing and regret
To trip their hearts at unexpected hours;
But always my heart stumbles, even yet,
When the shape of the hills or the rain-sweet scent of flowers
Recalls my earliest home, or when the sound
Of laughter echoes that which used to fall
From lips long silent to me. I am bound
By myriad threads of memory, keeping all
I ever loved so near me still, that I
Shall never learn to say a last good-by.*

— Jane Merchant

The Deatherage Family

Chris Deatherage - May 02, 2017 at 07:24 AM

JT

“ Dearest Mary Rachel and family. Loved your mom's blue eyes and smile that beamed when she talked about her family. Oh, how she loves you! I saw her once in Nashville when she was in the rehab. It had been many years since I had seen her, but we picked right up and had the nicest visit. Oh, how warm and caring. A precious lady. I know you will miss her. You will be in my prayers. - Julie O'Briant Taylor

Julie O'Briant Taylor - May 01, 2017 at 07:42 PM

GB

Mrs. Taylor, was always listening with interest as you spoke 😊 Always a joy when I would come & visit my mom @ the Fairgrounds, she would be out walking & chatting with each one. Such a part of Kingston, heritage.. Will always be thankful she touch my life with a caring-heart with much love for her community! Will carry her sweet smile with her kindness within my sweet memory of the love for her family & friends! Certainly will be thinking & praying for the members of The Taylor family.. Bless each of You as u miss this precious soul.. 💖
Georgeanna Browder-Bacon

Georgeanna Browder-Bacon - May 02, 2017 at 06:41 AM

BJ

Truly makes me sad to see that Miss Taylor has passed.. what a treasure she was to me. She was a wonderful teacher and friend.. I can still hear her laugh and see that sweet smile... prayers for her family for the days ahead.. Beth Gage Johnson, Midway High School '76

Beth Johnson - May 02, 2017 at 06:59 PM

JA

🌹 Mrs. Taylor was a dear person & teacher. She once told me she was named after the last rose of summer & I always think of her when the season comes to and end & there is that one rose left.... & when I do not use proper hand placement as I type. ha!
So sorry for your loss. She touched many lives & I was blessed to have had her as apart of mine. Jan Galyon Alexander class of '84

Jan Alexander - May 03, 2017 at 05:47 PM

BL

I am so sorry to see Rose has passed away. She was an encouraging, thoughtful parent figure as I grew up, became a friend as I got older, and was always a wonderful neighbor providing support and friendship. A sweet woman who will be sorely missed.

Barbara Leasure - May 04, 2017 at 05:41 AM