



Loraine (Shorty) W. Giles

July 1, 1915 - June 18, 2012

Loraine ("Shorty") Williams Giles, 96, of Marietta, GA died June 18, 2012. She was born July 1, 1915 in Harriman, TN to Rufus Clark and Ethel Mae Wilson Williams. She was one of six children, four brothers (Ralph and H.M. who died as teenagers) Harold (wife, Eleanor DeArmond) Williams, R. C. (wife, Violet Christmas) Williams and one sister, Imogene W. Geasland (husband, L.P.) who also preceded her in death. Loraine succumbed to natural causes while a patient at The Fountainview Center for Alzheimer's Disease in Atlanta, GA. She moved to Atlanta following the death of her second husband, Robert Edwin Giles, Sr., to live with her daughter, Freida Allen Breazeal (husband, John). Her other three children by her first husband E. R. Allen, Sr. are E. R. (Buddy) Allen, Jr. of Avon Lake, OH, Joy Allen Tabb (husband W. Bobby) of Camilla, GA and Randy R. Allen (wife, Mary Ann Pulliam) of Lawrenceville, GA. She had two devoted step children, Gayle Giles Kimble from LaFayette, GA and Dr. Robert E. (Ned) Giles, Jr. (wife, Patricia Walker) of Chattanooga, TN. Loraine leaves 17 grandchildren and step-grandchildren, 26 great grandchildren and step-great grandchildren and one great, great grandson in addition to numerous nieces and nephews. She also leaves her brother-in-law, Lt. Colonel Retired, USAF, James J. Allen and his wife Pauline Burns, her lifelong devoted friend Mary Sue Wallace, and a former daughter-in-law, Peggy Langer. Loraine grew up in Harriman, TN and reared her four children there. She was a devoted mother and grandmother, a meticulous homemaker and was loved and respected by her family and many friends. She was active

in the United Methodist Church for many years having served in the United Methodist Women organization in both the Harriman and LaFayette churches. She enjoyed attending the many activities of her children and grandchildren, playing bridge, antiquing, cooking, and cultivating long time friendships both in Harriman and LaFayette. She worked at Burlington Mills for twenty years and while employed managed to be present at the birth of each grandchild. She remained young in mind, body and spirit and as a younger person once remarked about her, "She was just one of us!" Special recognition birthdays were begun at her 75th milestone and continued to her 95th birthday. On her 90th birthday, 85 of her immediate relatives were present for a family weekend celebration in the north Georgia mountains. Because God blessed Loraine with good health for so many years it is difficult to think of life without her. The wonderful memories she created with those who loved her will continue to bless her family and her wise counsel over her many years will continue to guide them. Arrangements will be directed by H.M. Patterson & Sons in Atlanta, GA and Kyker Funeral Home in Harriman, TN. Visitation will be from 5 to 7 p.m. on Thursday, June 22 at Kyker Funeral Home with interment on Friday at 11 a.m. in Willard Park Cemetery in Harriman. Memorial gifts may be directed to the LaFayette First United Methodist Church, 301 S. Main Street, LaFayette, GA 30728, to the Harriman United Methodist Church, 601 Queens Avenue, Harriman, TN 37748 or to the Alzheimer's Association National Office, 225 N. Michigan Avenue, FL 17, Chicago, IL 60601.

Tribute Wall

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“ Dear Freida, Joy, and family,
Mom and I just heard of Shorty's death on Sun. afternoon while visiting Eula (Uncle Fritz's daughter). She and her husband are in an assisted living center in Rockwood. They showed us the obit. in the newspaper. Since neither of us take a Roane county paper, we had no idea. Please know that my mom, Mildred (your Aunt Maggie's daughter) and I would have been there. Mom has such fond memories of Shorty. Let's not loose contact. When things calm down, please use my e-mail address to contact me with your addresses.

While reading the obit., I was reminded that we are connected also through the Geaslands. My dad was L.P.'s cousin and I am L.P.'s mother's (Ellen) namesake as is my daughter... we both have Ellen in our names.

What a wonderful life your mother lived. What a hole she is leaving here.

Our prayers are with you, Martha and Mildred

Martha Ellen Taylor Farley - lenoir city, TN - cousin - June 28, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ I know Loraine was caring and compassionate and fun-loving because her daughter, Joy, is that same kind of person. This family ENJOYS being together and this is a rare and precious treasure. You have all learned much from Loraine. Love, Lydia Bullard, Camilla

Lydia Bullard - Camilla, GA - friend - June 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Shorty, I love you and will miss you..*

Love,

Frances Ann Margrave Adams

Frances Adams - Palm Coast, FL - friend - June 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Shorty was a wonderful person and I know she will be missed by all.*

Love,

Cheryl Baughman

Cheryl Baughman - Palm Coast, FL - friend - June 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM