



Myrtle Rena Helmly

January 30, 1925 - May 24, 2024

Myrtle Rena Pace Helmly went to her Heavenly home on May 24, 2024 after 99 years on the Earth.

Greeting her in Heaven were her Mother and Father, Finn and May Lynch, her siblings, Finn, Marie, Fannie Mae and Burl, her first husband Savell Pace, her second husband Hayward Helmly, her daughters Sherry Pace and Gail Busbee, her grandsons Jerry Lane Busbee Jr. Gary Pace Jr. along with numerous other relatives and friends.

Left to cherish her memory are her son Gary Pace Sr. and wife Judy, her son-in-law Lane Busbee, her grandchildren Stephanie Mankiewicz and husband Mike, Heather Pass and husband Shane, Natalie Myers and Josh Myers, her great grandchildren Lanie Myers, Mallorie Myers, Paulina Mankiewicz, Hallie Pass and Judah Pass.

Myrtle "Mimi" to many, loved spending time with and caring for her family. She enjoyed entertaining, cooking for her family and her church, baking, gardening, growing food and beautiful flowers, canning food, reading and shopping.

Her favorite things were her family, her friends at church, her books, roses and ice cream!

Born January 30, 1925 in Union, MS, she spent most of her life in Meridian, MS where she raised her family and worked for USF&G insurance company until her retirement. She was a member of Christ Community Church and the Garden Club.

In 2022 she moved to Sarasota, FL with her family and enjoyed spending time soaking up the sunshine on the lanai with her books. The last few months of her life she spent at Benderson Skilled Nursing Home in Sarasota, FL where she was the life of the party and beloved by many. Everyone there knew how much she longed for Heaven and supported her beautifully until she made the journey home.

Mimi generously became a body donor to the University of Central Florida. There are no scheduled services and she had only one request, don't send flowers that will wither and die, plant flowers that will grow for you to enjoy. She will be greatly missed by those she left behind. Reflect on sweet memories of her and be blessed.

Tribute Wall

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“ *I will always remember your beautiful smile, quick wit and sweet laugh.*

You have joined so many that you longed to see again.

I know you are surrounded with all their love.

Rest in Peace Aunt Myrtle.

God bless all of the family and may you savor all your beautiful memories of her.

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