



Mayme M. Horn

December 21, 1906 - October 24, 2010

Horn, Mayme Miller, of Columbiana, AL., passed away October 24, 2010. She would have celebrated her 104th birthday on December 21st of this year. Mayme was born in 1906 on the Hankins-Miller Plantation in Nanafalia, Marengo County, AL., by the Tombigbee River. She was the 6th of 9 children born to Alonzo Asbury Miller and Winnifred Noble Hankins Miller. She was a descendant of Bishop Asbury and several other Methodists Ministers. As the oldest living Alumna of Auburn University, she was graduated in 1929 from Alabama Polytechnic Institute (API) in education. Mayme was one of the first members of Kappa Delta social sorority, joining in 1926. She was also a charter member of Columbiana Culture Club and the Delta Kappa Gamma teacher's sorority. Also, during WWII, she worked for the welfare department. She taught in Marengo and Shelby County schools for 25 years, teaching all elementary grades and public school music. Her gift of music was noted at age 3, part of a musical family. Mayme was church organist and pianist for over 60 years at Columbiana United Methodist Church. She also played for regional horse shows, Christmas programs at First National Bank, numerous weddings and more than 1,000 funerals at various churches and Bolton Funeral Home. Mayme was Music and continued to play for fellow residents of Shangri La Assisted Living in Columbiana until the end. We are so grateful for the loving care she received in all her years there. She was at home there. While working for the State Agriculture Department, her father was given a grafted camellia from Mobile's Bellingrath Gardens. He brought it home to

Auburn and it grew over 2 stories high. As an avid flower gardner, Mayme raised hundreds of plants from these flower cuttings. Her yard has something blooming year round. Most everyone in Columbiana has a variegated Camellia she raised and gave to those who asked – even to some who didn't! Mayme has been a faithful member of Columbiana United Methodist Church since 1932 when she moved to Columbiana upon her marriage to Yeager Horn. This marriage lasted 50 years. Yeager died in 1982. Both were very dedicated to God and Columbiana United Methodist Church and extremely involved in all areas of worship there. Mayme is preceded in death by parents and all siblings, her husband, Yeager and daughter-in-law, Laura LaBorde Horn. Survivors are son, Howell Y. Horn; daughter, Carol H. Shurbet, both of Columbiana; grandchildren, Marsha Horn Harbin of Hoover, Kelli Shurbet Gilmer (Jeff) of Trussville, Randall Shurbet, Jr. of Homewood; great grandchildren, Zach Galloway, Logan, Griffin, Clay & Austin Gilmer of Trussville, Lillian and Dagan Shurbet of Homewood. Also included is a dear, close friend of the family, Deby Wright of Hoover. There are three generations of nieces and nephews remaining to join a wide array of friends who will miss her great memory, wit and wisdom. Always a joy to be around, always positive about life and her Lord. Mayme requested memorials to CUMC, PO Box 676, Choir Robe Fund or charity of choice. Celebration of her life will be at Columbiana United Methodist Church, Rev. Pete Grice presiding, on Wednesday, October 27, 2010 at 2 PM. Visitation will be Tuesday, October 26, 2010 from 6 until 8 PM at the church and one hour prior to the funeral.

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Tribute Wall

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“*Mrs. Horn was a true joy. Having been involved in music my entire life, starting out in the Baptist church in Columbiana, Mrs Horn and I collaborated a lot when called on by the funeral home to provide the music for services. She truly had a touch on the piano and organ that you don't hear out of most musicians these day. I'm sure Heaven is enjoying more beautiful music than ever today. Marsha and Howell, our condolences , Nancy and Roy Blankenship*

Nancy Isbell Blankenship - October 27, 2010 at 12:00 AM

GJ

“*I remember this wonderful lady all of my life growing up in Columbiana. She was always so loving and caring about all of us as we grew up. I never remember a time when she was not patient and willing to stop and have a little chat with me. I also admired her musical ability and the beautiful organ music at the Methodist church where I attended almost every Sunday of my life. My sincere sympathy to both Howell and Carol. Gwendolyn Farr Johnson*

Gwendolyn Farr Johnson - October 25, 2010 at 12:00 AM

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“*Mr. Horn and Marsha, My condolences to you and your entire family on the loss of Ms. Mayme. You are in my prayers and thoughts during this time of sorrow. She will certainly be missed by all who were blessed to know her.*

Debra Rogers Wicker - October 25, 2010 at 12:00 AM

HJ

“*My sincere sympathy and condolences to Howell and all other family members.*

Hylott L. Armstrong, Jr. - October 25, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CJ

“ *Mayme was a lovely lady, so interesting to visit with. She will be missed, but she is now entertaining all her new and old friends in Heaven with her lovely music. She was my special friend. Love Caroline*

Caroline Johnson - October 25, 2010 at 12:00 AM

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“ *What a wonderful life! To have lived as long as Ms. Mayme and to have see all the things that Ms. Mayme has seen in 103 years and to be in good health. Our community has lost a pillar and we all will miss her. My thoughts and prayers go out to Howell and his family, Carol and her family. I love you all.*

Susan Conn - October 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM