



Mertice Gould Stone

December 21, 1929 - August 20, 2021

Stone, Mertice Gould, age 91, of Wilsonville, passed away August 20, 2021. The graveside service will be at 11:00 a.m., Thursday, August 26, 2021 at Fourmile Cemetery with Rev. Richard Hanna officiating. Bolton Funeral Home is directing. Friends and family are invited to attend and are asked to wear face masks and observe social distancing.

Mrs. Stone was preceded in death by her parents: Isaac Lane Gould and Annie Bierley Gould; and grandchildren: William Lee Stone, Matthew James Stone, and Jairrett Isaac Stone. She is survived by her beloved husband of nearly 70 years: James Hugh Stone; children: Karen Elizabeth Stone (Charlie), Sallie Stone Arvison (Bryan), Stephen Keith Stone (Nancy), and Timothy Ellis Stone (Virginia); grandchildren: Andrew James Stone, Tyler Arvison, Laurabeth Bucur, Renee Brooks, Judi McCallum, Susan Musselwhite, Victoria Hubschmitt, Ian Stone, Anderson Stone, and Rosie Stone; and special nephew Don Gould.

Mertice graduated from Shelby County High School in 1948 and from the Alabama College for Women (now University of Montevallo) in 1952. In 1971, she received her Master's Degree in Early Childhood Development from the University of Montevallo. Mertice was a woman of great faith, a military wife, parent, educator and was honored as Alabama state teacher of the year in 1988/89. She is fondly remembered by many who were blessed to attend her preschool at the Shelby County Area Vocational Center. Mrs. Stone gave generously of her time and resources to those in need, volunteering with

Shelby Baptist Association and Alabama Disaster Relief, as well as other volunteer activities and innumerable acts of kindness over the years. She was very proud of her children's achievements (as well as her grandchildren's) and loved to brag about all of them! Nothing made her happier than when her family was gathered together at their home in Fourmile, enjoying great food and goodies she had prepared. She was a strong woman who will be missed by many.

In lieu of flowers, the family appreciates donations to Shelby Baptist Association (shelbybaptist.org).

Please sign online condolences at www.boltonfuneralhome.com.

Cemetery Details

Fourmile Cemetery

15577 Highway 61
Wilsonville, AL 35186

Previous Events

Graveside Service

AUG 26. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

DS

“*Hugh and Mertice were two of the most active ministry center volunteers of the Shelby Baptist Association. Their joyful and faithful devotion to the Lord touched the lives of hundreds through their many years of service. The light of Christ shown brightly in their kind and loving interaction with all who came seeking help. They were a delight as they interacted with other volunteers and staff. Their support of the ministries that our Baptist churches began and developed have continued to reach out to thousands because of the solid foundation laid by the Stones and many others beginning in 1991. How grateful I am for the ministry partnership and friendship of Mertice and Hugh!*
May God comfort and bless Hugh and all the family knowing that Mertice is rejoicing in Heaven with her Savior, family and friends.”

*Debbie Snyder,
Retired Ministry Development Director of the Shelby Baptist
Association*

Debbie Snyder - August 30, 2021 at 02:45 AM

CL

“*I loved how she loved to teach children and taught her students how to teach and love children too, I took her class back in the 80's*”

Coressa Ledford - August 29, 2021 at 09:00 PM



“*Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mertice Gould Stone.*”



August 25, 2021 at 01:54 PM

LW

“ *Andy and I want to express our sympathy to Mrs. Mertice’s family at the home going of this wonderful lady. Her devotion to family, friends and her Lord is a witness to the kind of person she was. Heaven is brighter today. May God strengthen Mr. Hugh and comfort the rest of the family.*
Linda and Andy Walton

Linda Walton - August 25, 2021 at 12:43 PM



“ *Sweet Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Mertice Gould Stone.*



August 24, 2021 at 05:33 PM

JC

“ *Steve. So sad to learn of your Mother,s passing. She was one of my favorite teachers at Middle School A very learned and generous person Prayers for you and family Jeff Cary*

Jeff cary - August 24, 2021 at 02:48 PM

AG

“ *All of the NC grands & great grands purchased the Lily and Rose Tribute Spray for the family of Mertice Gould Stone.*



All of the NC grands & great grands - August 24, 2021 at 12:08 PM

CG

“ Carol Gould DeBolt & Family Tommy Goul purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Mertice Gould Stone.



Carol Gould DeBolt & Family Tommy Goul - August 24, 2021
at 09:54 AM

LW

“ Tim. I'm so sorry for your lost. May God give you comfort in your time of sorrow

Lara Watkins Wilson

Lara Watkins Wilson - August 24, 2021 at 06:53 AM



“ Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Mertice Gould Stone.



August 23, 2021 at 10:55 PM

LA

“ Laurabeth, Chad, Tyler, and Abby purchased the Bright and Beautiful Spray for the family of Mertice Gould Stone.



Laurabeth, Chad, Tyler, and Abby - August 23, 2021 at 07:29
PM

TH

“ Mr.Hugh,Sallie and Karen so sorry to hear of Mrs Stone passing.She is dear to my heart ❤️ in more ways than one.when she worked at the trade school with the child care class with my son and she volunteered at Linda Nolen Learning Center.What a blessing it was when her and Mr.Hugh showed up.They have a love for children.Rest in Peace my sweet lady with your Halo on your head.

Tommie Head - August 23, 2021 at 07:18 PM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Mertice Gould Stone.*



August 23, 2021 at 06:07 PM



“ *Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Mertice Gould Stone.*



August 23, 2021 at 05:14 PM

LM

“ Praying for all of you! Mertice has been a dear friend to me and my family since the Spring of 1971. She had both our children at the Vocational Center Day Care. They dearly loved her. We have celebrated life's events over the years! Will remember fondly the laughs and good times we have enjoyed together! Sorry we cannot be with you to say good bye! Hugs to you all! She was a wonderful lady! Love Linda and Evan!

Linda Major - August 23, 2021 at 01:32 PM