



## Velera Ruth Payne

February 8, 1921 - May 12, 2012

Payne, Velera Ruth, age 91, a resident of Columbiana and Sylacauga was born February 8, 1921, died May 12, 2012. Graveside services will be 10 a.m., Wednesday, May 16, 2012 at Pinelawn Gardens with Rev. Ricky Ruston officiating. Visitation will be Tuesday, May 15, 2012, from 6 to 8 p.m. at Bolton Funeral Home, Columbiana. Velera was a lifetime member of Columbiana United Methodist Church and Sunday School teacher for 60 years. She retired from Cook Publications. For many years Velera was the linotype operator for Shelby County Reporter and Sylacauga News. She is preceded in death by her father, William F. Payne (Nobie); mother, Ola Beatrice Gardner Payne (Beadie); sisters, Ola Avis Payne Clowdus, Geneva Hill Payne; brothers, William F. Payne, Jr., James Wesley Payne and Louis Calbert Payne. She is survived by her brother, W.D. "Sonny" (Mary) Payne of Columbiana; sisters, Dorsey Vaughn Payne Cates of Thorsby, Elaine Payne (Leon) Tidwell of Oneonta; sisters-in-law, Ruby Payne of Columbiana, Dorothy Payne of Wake Forest, NC; 13 nieces and nephews; 17 great nieces and nephews; 8 great great nieces and nephews and numerous other family and friends. The family request that in lieu of flowers, memorials be made to First United Methodist Church of Columbiana. Please sign on line condolences at [www.boltonfuneralhome.com](http://www.boltonfuneralhome.com).



# Tribute Wall

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“ I would like to send my sympathy to your family. I remember the good time that we had as kids with Valera she was a big kid herself . She always was so positive in everything that she did. She will be miss so much. She was one of the most dedicated women that I knew for her Sunday School class she was always there. She was a great teacher of the bible we need more Valera's today. Cathy McCord Snider

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**Cathy McCord Snider** - May 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ I want all the Payne family to know how saddened I am at the passing of Valera. I remember her so well from the Methodist church where she was my teacher. One fond memory is her taking a group of us on a hiking trip up to the beacon light and how tired I was when we got home. God bless your family and know our sympathy and prayers are with you as you go through the coming days. Gwen

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**Gwen Farr Johnson** - May 17, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ We offer our very sincere sympathy and condolences to all family members.

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**Hylott and Patsy Armstrong** - May 13, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ *My thoughts and prayers go out to Velera's family! My best memory of Velera would have to be the Sunday lunches at Grand daddy Payne's house. I remember watching her make her infamous buttermilk biscuits & fried chicken!! She could always make you smile.*

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**Alison Reynolds** - May 12, 2012 at 12:00 AM