



## Shirley May Byars Cooke

April 29, 1938 - September 2, 2020

COOKE, Shirley May Byars, 82, went home to be with the Lord on Wednesday, September 2, 2020. Shirley lived a life of service to others. A graveside celebration will be held at Prattville Memory Gardens on Saturday, September 5, 2020 at 11:00 am with Pastor Scott Heath officiating and Prattville Memorial directing. Mrs. Cooke was preceded in death by her parents, Charles I. and May Bell Byars; husband, Jerry Cooke; two brothers, Charles I. Byars, Jr. and Paul L. Byars. She survived by her one daughter, Kathy Cooke Welch (Edward V. Welch, Jr.); two grandchildren, Edward V. "Trace" Welch, III (Lindsey) and Kelsey Welch Church (Kyle); two great-grandchildren, Eleanor Byars Church and Emmeline Kyle Church; one sister, Joan Reeves (Royce); two sisters-in-law, Linda Byars and Charlene Byars; extended family and friends. Special thanks to loving caregivers at John Knox Manor. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made in her honor to Alzheimer's Association.

# Cemetery Details

## Prattville Memory Gardens

841 Fairview Avenue  
Prattville, AL

# Previous Events

## GRAVESIDE

SEP 5. 11:00 AM (CT)

Prattville Memory Gardens  
841 Fairview Avenue  
Prattville, AL

# Tribute Wall



“ Shirley was laughing and happy. She made everyone feel better. I had lost touch as we have grown older, but when I hear her name I remember happy memories. Love to Kathy and family. Jean Macready

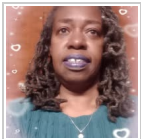
-----  
**Jean Macready** - September 05, 2020 at 02:19 PM



“ Sharon Christian lit a candle in memory of Shirley May Byars Cooke



-----  
**Sharon Christian** - September 04, 2020 at 05:24 PM



“ I didn't know Mrs. Cooke prior to her residency at JKM-II, but she was always interested in singing gospel songs with me, participating in arts and crafts and playing bingo with us. I shall miss her saying to me, "I'm A Pinkie!" Rest well my dear artist. It has been a pleasure painting and singing with you. May you rest in the land of peace and happiness until that great day.

*Sharon Christian*

-----  
**Sharon Christian** - September 04, 2020 at 05:23 PM