



## Blanche Joiner Etheredge

September 3, 1927 - November 10, 2014

### Obituary of Blanche Etheredge

Blanche Joiner Etheredge, 87, of Leesburg, died Monday, November 10, 2014.

She was born on Sept. 3, 1927 to Richard and Vera Joiner in Ashford, Ala.

In 1963, she and her late husband, Talmadge, moved to Leesburg, Fla. and purchased Haines Creek Cottages. They developed Bonfire Mobile Village in Leesburg and Riverview Mobile Estates in Homosassa.

She enjoyed spending time with family, watching the Florida Gators, dancing, reading and living life to the fullest. She was a devoted Christian and a member of the First Baptist Church of Leesburg for five decades.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 66 years, Talmadge Etheredge, and by brothers Carl, Floyd and Wallace Joiner and sisters Mary Etta Kelly, Madge Hughes and Grace Meadows.

Survivors include her four children: Jenann (Donald) Sisemore of Bradenton, Fla.; Steve (Karen) Etheredge of Dothan, Ala.; Dr. R. Kim (Michele) Etheredge of Leesburg, Fla.; and Tammi (Rob) Green of Trinity, Fla.

She is also survived by 11 grandchildren: Scott (Kelly) Dressel, Kellie (Rob) Viera, Allyson (Allen) Dozier; Stephen (Katherine) Etheredge; Lauren (Will) Bigham; Wesley, Shannon and Brian Etheredge; Sydney and Zachary Green; and 10 great-grandchildren: Katelyn and Trevor Viera; Walker and Evan Dressel; Stephen T. Etheredge III; Preston, Rhett and Blake Bigham; Mary McKinnon and Mac Dozier.

Memorial services will be held at 4 p.m. on Thursday, November 13, 2014, in the chapel at First Baptist Church of Leesburg, 220 N. 13th St.

A private interment will be at Liberty Baptist Church cemetery in Pansey, Ala. Arrangements are being handled by Beyers Funeral Home, 352-787-4343, and Byrd Funeral Home in Dothan, Ala.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests making a donation in Blanche's name to First Baptist Church of Leesburg.

# Tribute Wall

IC

“ *Nan so sorry to hear about your mom. Please know my prayers are with you and the family.*

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**Iris Turner Cole** - November 13, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ *With grief in our heart and unable to attend a friend and neighbors farewell, we extend our symphony to Blanche's family for the loss of such a grand and beautiful woman in our heart and community. I am so happy that I was able to visit with Blanche at Lakeport Square while I was in Leesburg for a few days preparing our home for a winter rental while we are away in St Louis care taking Barbara's parents. Blanche will be missed by many with thoughts of her gracious nature remaining with us forever. Jess & Barbara Poplin*

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**Jess & Barbara Poplin** - November 12, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AR

“ *To the family of Blanche, Terri and I would like to send our condolence on the passing of your mother, grandmother and Aunt. We only new Blanche for a short time while being her neighbor and enjoyed her company very much she was such a pleasant lady and an awesome neighbor. We are so sad that she has passed but knowing were she has gone let's me know we will meet again someday. May the Lord our God be with all the family in this sad time. God Bless you all. We Love ya Miss Blanche now may you R.I.P. Allan & Terri Richards*

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**Allan & Terri Richards** - November 12, 2014 at 12:00 AM

FM

“ To Kim and all of the family - My sincerest condolences, love and prayers to all. Blanche was such a lovely lady and a wonderful friend to my mother, Margaret Herlong. I was always so happy to see her whenever I visited Leesburg - she was always so much fun and full of life and love! She will be deeply missed - but well remembered.

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**Fran Herlong McDonald** - November 12, 2014 at 12:00 AM

TG

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with your family

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**Tom Grizzard** - November 12, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AT

“ So sorry to hear this sad news... I will always remember her as a dear family friend with a quick wit, caring personality and so much fun to be around. She will be greatly missed!!

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**Ann Louise (Herlong) Tuke** - November 12, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RC

“ So very sorry for your loss, my thoughts and prayers go out to your family.

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**Robert D. Cook** - November 12, 2014 at 12:00 AM

NE

“ So many memories in 39 years; so many football games, and trips, victory celebrations and total frustrations; so many parties and sharing with family and friends, food and recipes, and t construction and painting and decorating; And most recently, "Hand and Foot" where the fun went on and you played well! Rest in peace.

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**Nancy Ezell** - November 12, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ Dear Kim and Michelle, I want you, Wesley, Lauren, Shannon, Brian, and Blanche's entire family to know how very much I thought of her and loved her. Her quick wit, sweet southern drawl and kindness will always be remembered. She was such a beautiful lady with such a zest for life ....I will forever remember her and hope that someday a cure for pulmonary fibrosis will be found. My love and prayers are with each of you - hold tight to your precious memories. God Bless you all! Love, Lytle

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lytle bigham - November 12, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ Blanche Joiner Etheredge

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November 11, 2014 at 12:00 AM