



Gayle Griffin Bridges

January 5, 1933 - April 28, 2017

Gayle Griffin Bridges, 84, of Umatilla, FL passed away on Friday, April 28, 2017. She was born on January 5, 1933 in Kershaw, SC to her parents Thomas Lee and Gladys Marie Griffin. She was raised in Goldsboro and Kinston, NC. She was the great great granddaughter of Joel Chandler Harris, the author of Uncle Remus. She was the cousin of Julian Hake Harris sculptor of John Wesley of Mich. Church and Stone Mountain, GA. She was a student and designer of Galds Masters directed by Andy Griffith. She graduated from Auburn University and majored in Commercial Art. She was a member of the Eastern Star Naomi Chapter 139 of Georgia, a member of Lambda Tau Delta social sorority, and a member of the Umatilla Chamber of Commerce. She was also a life member of the Lake Humane Society, a member of the Christian Birthday Sisterhood, and a member of the Boys and Girls Club. She was the wife of the late Robert H. Bridges, owners of the Umatilla Pharmacy.

She is survived by her sons: Daniel S. (Loretta) Bridges, Deland, FL, Mark E. Bridges, Umatilla, FL, Griffin F. Bridges, Umatilla, FL; six grandchildren; and four great grandchildren. She was predeceased in death by her husband: Robert H. Bridges; and her brother: Col. T.L. Griffin.

A funeral service will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, May 5, 2017 at the Beyers Funeral Home Chapel with Pastor Brooks Braswell officiating. The family will receive friends from 10:00 a.m. until the time of the service. The

interment will follow at the Florida National Cemetery in Bushnell, FL. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Cornerstone Hospice at 2445 Lane Park Rd., Tavares, FL 32778.

Tribute Wall



“ *Wherever Gayle was there was warmth and kindness...and oh how she made me laugh. Condolences to her family.* ”

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