



Ava Gardner

April 29, 1920 - December 28, 2004

Funeral services for Ava Shaw Gardner, 84, will be held at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, January 1, 2005 at Bethel United Methodist Church. The Revs. Larry Brown and Ed Davidson will officiate with burial in Bethany Cemetery directed by Brown-Pennington-Atkins Funeral Home. The family will receive friends Friday, December 31, 2004 from 4-6 p.m. at the Brown residence, 605 Walton Street, Bethune, SC. Memorials may be made to the Bethel United Methodist Church.

Mrs. Gardner, widow of John Jacob Little and Barr H. Gardner, Jr., died Tuesday, December 28, 2004. Born in Bethune, SC, she was a daughter of the late Lucas Payton and Effie Reeves Shaw. She was a member of Bethel United Methodist Church, the Bethune Womans Club, and was an avid bridge player. She was associated with the family-run Bethune IGA.

Surviving are her son and daughter-in-law, Barr H. and Kathy W. Gardner, III of Chapin, SC; daughter and son-in-law, Martha and Merrill Brown of Bethune, SC; grandchildren, Lee S. Aiken, Michael A. Brown, Barr Harris Gardner, IV. She was preceded in death by her sister Doris Shaw Elliott. Condolences may be expressed to the family at our website www.bpafuneralhome.com

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **31**. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

The Brown residence, 605 Walton Street, Bethune, SC
605 Walton Street
Bethune, SC

Tribute Wall



“ Ava Gardner was my mother Doris Shaw Elliotts's younger sister,only sibling, and was always adored, loved, even a little envied by her. I'll remember Aunt Ava always as the beautiful auburn-haired, brown-eyed gracious aunt that she was in my childhood, always smiling,chuckling to find humor in small things; ever kind to me and my brother Bill. And, too, in recent years to my sons Lewis Elliott Martin and William Elliot Martin, adults now themselves. She'll live ever feminine, beautiful and glowing in the honeyed hue of her skin in its youth; forever young and lovely in my memory.##imported-begin##Ann Elliott##imported-end##

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“ We will miss Miss Ava. She meant a lot to us. She was a really nice lady. God bless you and keep you in his care. The Stewarts and the Olivers##imported-begin##Lige and Gloria Stewart/Mr.Video##imported-end##

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“ Your family is in my thoughts and prayers at this time of loss.##imported-begin##Karen Stroud##imported-end##

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“ Sonny,

Our heartfelt sympathies and condolences go to you and your family on your loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

*God bless,
Harriett and Frank Ward##imported-begin##Harriett and Frank
Ward##imported-end##*

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