



Evelyn Saleeby

October 13, 1925 - December 18, 2020

Evelyn Saleeby went to be with her Lord on December 18, 2020. She was born on June 13, 1925, in Hartsville, South Carolina. She was preceded in death by her mother, Rose Saleeby, and her father, Shady A. Saleeby; sister, Helen Saleeby; brothers, Joseph and Arthur Saleeby.

She is survived by her niece, Val Schulz; her great-niece, Karen Schulz; her great-nephew, Bryan, and his wife, Angie; and their children, Peter, Madelyn, and Emma.

Evelyn was known for her servant heart and sacrificial love. Her father died at a very young age so she sacrificed going to college to work with her mother in the family store. Upon selling the store, she began teaching piano lessons in her home.

Service to God, service to and love of family and friends, and commitment to the community were the driving forces of her life. Her compassion and love for all touched the lives of so many and made her a stranger to no one and a friend to all.

Evelyn was an active member of First Presbyterian Church in Hartsville until 2010 when she moved to Columbia to live with her niece and then became involved in the work of Forest Lake Presbyterian Church. At First Presbyterian

Church, her gifts were especially shared through music and working with children. She was a member of the choir for 50 years, taught Sunday School, taught Bible School, led children's sermons, participated in mission trips, and was active in the Women of the Church programs.

At Forest Lake, she continued teaching the younger children and leading them in music.

In the community, Evelyn entertained senior citizens in Hartsville, Lydia, Florence, Darlington, and Columbia in communities and churches. She volunteered at HIM conducting interviews. She worked at the Habitat for Humanity Resale Store and worked on teams to build Habitat for Humanity homes. She volunteered at the Food Bank in Hartsville and God's Storehouse in Columbia as well as the Soup Kitchens in both cities. As a member of the Pilot Club, she participated in community projects. Before moving to Columbia, she enjoyed mentoring elementary students.

Evelyn left her handprint on the world by living out her faith through actions and service to others with an outpouring of compassion as she treated all with love, respect, and dignity to provide a safe environment for all.

A private graveside service will be held on Tuesday, December 22, 2020, in the Magnolia Cemetery, Hartsville, SC. The Rev. Dr. Ellen Fowler Skidmore will officiate, and the service will be available via live stream at 1:00 p.m. Tuesday by visiting the Brown-Pennington-Atkins Facebook page. Brown-Pennington-Atkins Funeral Directors are caring for the family.

In lieu of flowers, memorials can be made to First Presbyterian Church, 213 W. Home Ave., Hartsville S.C. or Forest Lake Presbyterian Church, 6500 North Trenholm Rd., Columbia, S.C. 29206.

Cemetery Details

Magnolia Cemetery

140 South Cedar Lane
Hartsville, SC 29550
(843) 383-3004

Events

Details are pending.

Tribute Wall

RA

“ Robert Andrews lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Saleeby



Robert Andrews - June 19, 2025 at 08:28 AM

TH

“ The world is definitely poorer for Evelyn's leaving it, and Heaven is richer. She was a wonderful, delightful, loving, and generous soul, even in her illness. We remember her from many, many years ago, and in fact it was through her, Val, and Helen that we met! We will miss her smiling face and loving spirit.
Terri and Bobby Hager

Terri M Hager - January 02, 2021 at 05:14 PM

AO

“ I'm so sorry to hear of Evelyn's passing. She was a devoted servant of God, family, friends, community. Evelyn's service was beautiful, and I'm so thankful I was able to view online. She will be missed by so many. I find comfort in Thomas Campbell's quote, "To live in hearts we leave behind is not to die." This is certainly true for Evelyn. With heartfelt condolences. Love, Adrea

Adrea Saleeby Owens - December 27, 2020 at 10:03 AM

HA

“ Aunt Evelyn was special. The comments being left here show just how special she was. It warms my heart to see all the lives she touched. Val, we are thinking of you and your family. Much love,
Holly

holly atkins - December 24, 2020 at 10:02 AM

SS

“ Val, you are in my heart and I have such fond memories of us in school and going home with you! Your family is dear to me and your Aunt is a beautiful picture of a Christian. I know her memory will strengthen you always
as will the Lord until you are reunited! Love, Stephanie Vickery Stanley

Stephanie Stanley - December 23, 2020 at 08:21 AM

OB

“ What a wonderful life filled with service and love. Ms. Saleeby brought so much to so many lives, young and old. She was my music teacher and instilled in me a true appreciation of all genres of music. Her patience was to be envied. She taught so many kids; and that alone left a wonderful legacy. Please know you all are in my prayers.

Olivia McDonald Baird - December 22, 2020 at 05:01 PM

LE

“ Linda S Edwards lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Saleeby



Linda S Edwards - December 22, 2020 at 02:27 PM

LE

She is with our Heavenly Father.

Linda S Edwards - December 22, 2020 at 02:28 PM

LF

“*Ms Evelyn was a dear, dear friend to my family... She was part of our family. The Bellum family was so blessed to have her and Ms. Helen in our lives. There were so many wonderful things about Ms. Evelyn. Her servant heart, her smile, her loving spirit, her selflessness, her listening ear, her patience, her acts of kindness, her love for all regardless of their background, race, or uniqueness were attributes that we all should aspire to have. She truly helped shaped my viewpoints and modeled what it was like to be Christlike. Ms. Evelyn live a long, long life and blessed so many. The world is a better place because of her.*



*With Love and Fond Memories,
Laura Bellum Fleming*

Laura Fleming - December 22, 2020 at 12:45 PM

DL

“*I will always have special memories of Aunt in my heart. We shared some very special moments over the years. 🙏*

Dorothy Loiodice - December 22, 2020 at 07:45 AM

TR

“ Miss Evelyn taught Sunday School to my husband and to my children at First Presbyterian Church in Hartsville. She was a wonderful influence to all who passed through her Sunday School and Vacation Bible School classes.



Tru - December 21, 2020 at 11:46 PM

SW

“ Sherrille Wilks lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Saleeby



Sherrille Wilks - December 21, 2020 at 10:02 PM

HN

“ Miss Evelyn taught and loved our son, Haydon, and help develop his faith at an early age. I had the privilege of working with Miss Evelyn at Hartsville Interfaith Ministries and Food Bank. She was a loyal, dedicated and compassionate volunteer. Prayers for her family.
- Heather Norwood

HEATHER NORWOOD - December 21, 2020 at 07:20 PM

BF

“ Brooks Peterson And Family lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Saleeby



Brooks Peterson and Family - December 21, 2020 at 04:29 PM

CO

“ Cecil & Linda Oneal lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Saleeby



Cecil & Linda Oneal - December 21, 2020 at 01:05 PM

WY

“ I'm so sorry for your loss of Ms. Saleeby. I also have fond memories of her from taking piano lessons. I loved to hear her play. May God comfort each of you.



Wilma Gainey Yarborough - December 20, 2020 at 09:57 PM

AT

“ Please accept my sincere condolences on the passing of Ms. Evelyn. She was, indeed, a beautiful human being who touched many lives.
Annette Mills Traylor
Asheville,NC

Annette Mills Traylor - December 20, 2020 at 04:12 PM

MS

“ After I married Dan, I went into the kitchen with Aunt Helen and Aunt Evelyn, and they taught me how to make Lebanese food. To this day, I still follow the techniques they taught me, especially how, after you make the Kibbi, you place a cross in it, and as you do this, you say a prayer and a blessing for those that are partaking. I was always fascinated with the bigger than life family tree that was in their house. She was a beautiful person.

Maria Saleeby - December 20, 2020 at 03:43 PM

HA

So sweet

holly atkins - December 24, 2020 at 09:58 AM

GO

“ *REMARKABLE...is one word that sums up this precious friend of our family. I have had the honor of visiting with her in her home on East Carolina over the years. She always had a smile that could warm up any room And play the piano????? now she could tickle some ivories for sure. A great Icon in the community. She will be missed by all who loved her. Very talented indeed. My sister and I are going to miss her, Her friendship was worth more than a Pot of Gold. We have all of you in our thoughts and prayers as you face the next few days with Gods hand to give you comfort and peace. If there is a piano in Heaven I could almost see her now sitting down and playing so freely and beautiful. Family relatives we love you all. Always reflect back on the memories you cherished with Evelyn Saleeby, they will last a lifetime. Love and prayers from our family, Betty Polson, Melva O'Neal and Grady O'Neal*



Grady O'Neal - December 20, 2020 at 03:32 PM

JD

“ *Judy Davis lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Saleeby*



Judy Davis - December 20, 2020 at 01:27 PM

JS

“ *Jennie Sellers lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Saleeby*



Jennie Sellers - December 20, 2020 at 10:11 AM

RP

“ *Praying for the family. So sorry to hear about Miss Evelyn passing. Miss. Evelyn taught me piano at two different times during my life. She was such a wonderful and caring lady.*



Rosa Lee Millsaps Privette - December 20, 2020 at 06:59 AM

TT

“ *Terry Thompson lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Saleeby*



Terry Thompson - December 20, 2020 at 06:51 AM

GB

“ *Val, so sorry for your loss. I have many fond memories of Miss Evelyn, she was a special lady. Prayers for you and your family.*

Glenn Beckham - December 20, 2020 at 05:16 AM

BR

“ *Betty Sue Millsaps Ralley lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Saleeby*



Betty Sue Millsaps Ralley - December 20, 2020 at 01:11 AM

DS

“ *Donna Sansbury lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Saleeby*



Donna Sansbury - December 19, 2020 at 10:18 PM

SG

“ *Sylvester & Margaret Griggs lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Saleeby*



Sylvester & Margaret Griggs - December 19, 2020 at 09:27 PM

RN

“ *Prayers to her family. I took piano lessons from her when I was younger for many years in her beautiful home. Many fond memories of a sweet lady . Last time I ran into into her one day right before candy kitchen closed and we had good conversation.*



Rhonda Jones- Norton - December 19, 2020 at 09:10 PM

JK

“ *Jofrieda Kelley lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Saleeby*



Jofrieda Kelley - December 19, 2020 at 06:32 PM

CL

“ *I took piano lessons from her for a long time
Many wonderful memories of her in her
beautiful home
Prayers for the family
Cindy Lowe*



Cindy Lowe - December 19, 2020 at 04:30 PM

JG

“ *Jimmy And Judy Gaineey sent a virtual gift in
memory of Evelyn Saleeby*



Jimmy and Judy Gaineey - December 19, 2020 at 03:20 PM

SG

“ *Mrs Evelyn taught me piano.... for many years. Many fond
memories of her, in that beautiful home. Sweet lady!*

Susan Goode - December 19, 2020 at 03:13 PM



“ *Linda Knorr lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Saleeby*



Linda Knorr - December 19, 2020 at 01:47 PM



“ *Linda & Bill Price lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Saleeby*



Linda & Bill Price - December 19, 2020 at 12:41 PM



“ *JIMMY L ANDREWS lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Saleeby*



JIMMY L ANDREWS - December 19, 2020 at 11:25 AM



“ *So sorry to hear of the passing of this wonderful lady. Peace and comfort to her loving family in many memories over her long life.*

Brenda Stewart - December 19, 2020 at 11:12 AM

RT

“ *Roberta Driskell Timmons lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Saleeby*



Roberta Driskell Timmons - December 19, 2020 at 11:04 AM

RD

Such a sweet lady. She taught me to play the piano.

Roberta Driskell - December 19, 2020 at 11:06 AM

RD

A precious lady

Roberta Driskell - December 19, 2020 at 11:07 AM

DJ

“ *Don And Libby Jordan sent a virtual gift in memory of Evelyn Saleeby*



Don and Libby Jordan - December 19, 2020 at 09:58 AM

AW

“ *Miss Evelyn was a special part of my childhood and my children's childhood at First Presbyterian Church. She was the definition of LOVE. HEAVEN now has more music for each child. They are blessed with Miss Evelyn. ❤️❤️*



Anna Williams - December 19, 2020 at 09:53 AM

JL

“ *Jean Lee lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Saleeby*



Jean Lee - December 19, 2020 at 09:48 AM

JS

“ *Wonderful Lady!*

Janet Mills Sherman



Janet M Sherman - December 19, 2020 at 09:44 AM



“ *Susan Watkins lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Saleeby*



Susan Watkins - December 19, 2020 at 09:15 AM

SM

“ *Sheila Mullis lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Saleeby*



Sheila Mullis - December 19, 2020 at 08:47 AM

SM

She was a wonderful piano teacher. So patient, kind and encouraging. Always felt special when we had our piano recital and she and I played a duet.

Sheila Mullis - December 19, 2020 at 08:49 AM

SS

“ *Sherron Lee Skipper sent a virtual gift in memory of Evelyn Saleeby*



Sherron Lee Skipper - December 19, 2020 at 08:45 AM

BS

“ *Bobby Lee, Sr. sent a virtual gift in memory of Evelyn Saleeby*



Bobby Lee, Sr. - December 19, 2020 at 08:44 AM

JH

“ *Jean Newsom Howard lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Saleeby*



Jean Newsom Howard - December 19, 2020 at 08:44 AM

CB

“ Ms Evelyn taught Sunday School in our church, First Presbyterian, for many, many years. I believe it was the 3 year old class. If you walked by her class, she would be leading them in song or dance for at least part of the class. She was a wonderful person.

Cecelia Brown - December 19, 2020 at 08:07 AM

PC

“ Paul Cannarella lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Saleeby



paul cannarella - December 19, 2020 at 07:52 AM



“ Kim Hulseley lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Saleeby



Kim Hulseley - December 19, 2020 at 05:36 AM

TB

“ She was a great piano teacher many years ago.



Tonda Bunch - December 18, 2020 at 10:35 PM

RS

“ *Rebecca Skinner lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Saleeby*



Rebecca Skinner - December 18, 2020 at 08:22 PM