



## Helen O'Neal Byrd

November 17, 1922 - December 29, 2008

Funeral services for Helen O'Neal Byrd, 86, will be held at 2:00 p.m. Thursday, January 1, 2009 at Bethlehem United Methodist Church. The Rev. Patricia Warden will officiate with burial in the church cemetery. Brown-Pennington-Atkins Funeral Home is serving the family. The family will receive friends Wednesday, December 31, 2008 from 5-7 p.m. at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to the Bethlehem United Methodist Church. Mrs. Byrd, widow of Heyward Byrd, died Monday, December 29, 2008. Born in Darlington Co., SC, she was a daughter of the late Hollace M. and Vivian Melton O'Neal. She was a member of Bethlehem United Methodist Church and was retired from the Department of Mental Health. Surviving are her daughter and son-in-law, Regina B. and Al Smith of Florence, SC; sister and brother-in-law, Ethelene B. and Buddy Gandy of Hartsville, SC; sister-in-law, Genele O'Neal of Hartsville, SC, grandchildren, Alison Smith, Melinda Edwards, Paige O'Shields; great-grandchildren, Will Edwards, James Edwards, Henry O'Shields. She was preceded in death by her son, Milton Byrd; brothers, Hollace O'Neal, Don O'Neal, and Darrell O'Neal.

# Previous Events

## Service

JAN 1. 2:00 PM (ET)

Bethlehem Methodist Church  
2240 Bethlehem Road  
Hartsville, SC 29550

# Tribute Wall



“ Regina, I just read about your mother. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. I had not seen your mom in a long time. She and I worked together in Florence and car pooled. I am so sorry for your loss.##imported-begin##Donna Wadsworth Johnson##imported-end##

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January 09, 2009 at 10:47 AM



“ Regina, I'm just hearing about the loss of your mother. Please know my thoughts and prayers are with you during this time.##imported-begin##Patricia Wadsworth McCoy##imported-end##

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January 06, 2009 at 02:48 PM



“ On behalf of the staff of Agape Hospice of the Pee Dee, please know that we are so very sorry for your loss and want to express our heartfelt sympathy during this time. Mrs. Helen was such a sweet and kind lady and will be greatly missed. Remember this earth is not our home, we are only passing through this land as we travel life's journey! So many in our community are praying for all of you and should you need me or Agape Hospice in any way, I am just am just a phone call away! In His Grasp, John "Bootsie" Griggs##imported-begin##John Griggs##imported-end##

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January 06, 2009 at 10:44 AM



“ We are sorry about aunt Helen, you are in our thoughts and prayers. We are here for you if you need us.

Shawn,Angela,Evan & Ethan O'neal###imported-begin##Shawn.  
Angela,Evan,& Ethan O'Neal###imported-end##

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January 01, 2009 at 02:28 AM



“ We highly admired Helen and will deeply miss seeing her in her yard and talking with her. Our hearts go out to each of her family members and friends. We know her Spirit is wrapped in the arms of our Lord Jesus Christ. We will see her again.###imported-begin##Russ & Peggy Wacker###imported-end##

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December 31, 2008 at 10:26 PM



“ Regina and family,I am praying for you. May the Lord give you comfort and bless you.Your Mom and I were both in Bojangles a year or more ago.We ate together and enjoyed a good conversation.Becky Wadsworth Walker###imported-begin##Becky Wadsworth Walker###imported-end##

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December 31, 2008 at 10:35 AM



“ So sorry to hear of your loss. May theLord meet your every need and comfort you in your sorrow. We will be praying for you all.###imported-begin##Linda S, Knorr and Mary Frances Stewart###imported-end##

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December 30, 2008 at 07:37 PM



“ Our prayers go out to Aunt Helen's family in their time of sorrow.##imported-begin##Deborah Sourdif##imported-end##

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December 30, 2008 at 04:43 PM



“ Our sincerest condolences to Aunt Helen's family. We will cherish our memories of her gracious generosity and kindness.##imported-begin##Darrell and Corinne O'Neal##imported-end##

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December 30, 2008 at 04:40 PM



“ Regina, I am sorry to hear of the loss of your mother. You may not remember me, but Milton was a special friend of mine. I talked with your mother several years ago when I was in Hartsville, and she was as sweet as ever.##imported-begin##Jane H. Mayhew##imported-end##

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December 30, 2008 at 11:32 AM



“ Regina, sorry to learn of your loss of your mother. Helen and I have been friends for years, she always had a sweet kind smile for every one. Truly you were a very devoted daughter to her. My prayers are with you.##imported-begin##Edna Sims##imported-end##

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December 30, 2008 at 10:53 AM