



Mrs. Michal Millen Baird

December 19, 1925 - December 2, 2017

Funeral service for Mrs. Michal Millen Baird, 91, who died peacefully on Saturday, December 2, 2017, at the home of her son, Dick Baird, Jr., will be announced by Brown-Pennington-Atkins Funeral Home. Coker College awarded Michal the Algernon Sidney Sullivan Award, an award for distinguished alumnus, and in lieu of flowers, the family requests donations are made in her honor to the Michal Baird Coker College Scholarship Fund, 300 East College Avenue, Hartsville, SC 29550.

Michal was born on December 19, 1925, and grew up in Hartsville, SC and was the oldest child of Horrie Dennis Millen and Dorothy Segars Millen. She graduated from Hartsville High School, where she was valedictorian and also voted Best Looking in her class.

She continued her studies at Coker College in Hartsville, graduating in 1946. Following college, she worked with her Aunt, Lucile Kerfoot, an interior designer. She often accompanied her aunt to New York City on business trips. While there, they enjoyed Broadway plays and Michal did her best to see Frank Sinatra perform whenever he was in town.

She married Richard Lucas Baird in 1949. Together they had four children, and much of Michal's young married life was spent raising her children and taking them to various competitive events, whether it be track, baseball,

basketball or church sword drills. When her children got older, she went to work at Sonoco in Hartville.

She was predeceased by her parents, a sister, a brother and her beloved husband of 67 years. She is survived by a brother, Fred Millen and her children, Richard (Dick) Baird, Jr. (Diane), Michal (Jim Brown), Susan (David Poulnot) and David (Becky).

She is also survived by eleven grandchildren: Lucas, Taz, and Rosemary Baird; Baker Brown; David, James and Hannah Poulnot; and Wills, Jane, Becca and "Boo" Baird. She is also survived by several special nieces and nephews.

During the last few years of her life, Michal was challenged by two neurodegenerative diseases, but due to her devoted family and especially her beloved daughter-in-law Diane, she died comfortably and peacefully at her son, Dick's home.

Tribute Wall

TB

“ Dick and family please accept my sincere condolences on the passing of Mrs. Baird. She was a very nice and classy lady that from my talks with her knew how much she loved her family. Mrs. Baird also loved Society Hill and her and Dick looked forward to hosting the Taste of Society Hill for many years, which was a class act. As Mayor I can truly say that Mrs. Baird and her husband will be long remembered in this community for their kindness and we will always remember the Taste event at their lovely Japonica Hall. If I can ever be of assistance to the family please do not hesitate to contact me. May God bless.

Tommy Bradshaw

Tommy Bradshaw - December 17, 2017 at 09:19 PM

JF

“ Jean Funderburk lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Michal Millen Baird



Jean Funderburk - December 11, 2017 at 03:43 PM

JF

Mrs. Michal was a great lady. We served on a committee together and she always asked me to a play or musical at Coker College. She will be greatly missed.

Jean Funderburk - December 11, 2017 at 03:45 PM



“ *Tobie Reynolds lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Michal Millen Baird*



Tobie Reynolds - December 09, 2017 at 12:16 PM



“ *GAIL MOBLEY lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Michal Millen Baird*



GAIL MOBLEY - December 06, 2017 at 07:15 PM



“ *Pinky Blackwell McInvaile lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Michal Millen Baird*



Pinky Blackwell McInvaile - December 05, 2017 at 11:03 PM



“ *Joseph & Brenda Nettles lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Michal Millen Baird*



Joseph & Brenda Nettles - December 05, 2017 at 06:11 PM

HG

“ *Dick, Sis*
Sorry to hear of your mother's passing. Please know I am thinking of both of you during this time.

Harden

Harden Gainey - December 05, 2017 at 06:56 AM

 Linda
Warren
Coates

“ *Linda Warren Coates lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Michal Millen Baird*



Linda Warren Coates - December 04, 2017 at 08:38 PM

RM

“ *Ronnie And Tanya McDonald lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Michal Millen Baird*



Ronnie and Tanya McDonald - December 04, 2017 at 11:40 AM

MO

“ *Marsha Odom lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Michal Millen Baird*



Marsha Odom - December 04, 2017 at 08:48 AM

WW

“ Although Michal and I never worked in the same department at Sonoco, we were good friends. No matter where I worked, Michal was somewhere near. We saw each other often - in the halls, the cafeteria, going in, coming out of the plant. She was always a joy to be around - such a sweet, caring lady. My condolences and prayers to all her family.

Wayne Stratton Wallace

Wayne S. Wallace - December 03, 2017 at 09:47 PM

JW

“ Michal served as my assistant for more than 20 years at Sonoco and contributed greatly to the success I had in my career. She was so competent , respected, and in every way a very special person. My sympathy goes out to all of her four Clemson graduate children and their families. John Walker



John C. Walker - December 03, 2017 at 09:26 PM

CG

“ Connee Gamble Grantham lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Michal Millen Baird



Connee Gamble Grantham - December 03, 2017 at 08:23 PM

DW

“ *Debbie Brown Wynne lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Michal Millen Baird*



Debbie Brown Wynne - December 03, 2017 at 04:16 PM

CW

“ *So very sorry to hear of your mother's passing We worked together many years ago in the Corp IE Dept and she was also so pleasant and such a joy. Carl and Susan Watkins*



Carl and Susan Watkins - December 03, 2017 at 07:21 AM



“ *Susan, Sis, David, Dick and families, so sorry to hear about Aunt Michal. She was such a sweet person. Sending prayers to you all. Love Gina Millen Easterling*

Gina Easterling - December 02, 2017 at 08:34 PM

KM

“ *Dick, Sis, Susan and David - so sorry to hear about your mom. Keeping you and your families in our prayers during this time. Aunt Michal was a very special lady. So many good memories when we were growing up.*



Kathy McFarland - December 02, 2017 at 06:31 PM

CB

“ Carol Bryant lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Michal Millen Baird



carol bryant - December 02, 2017 at 04:56 PM

CB

Prayers for her sweet family. love, carol

carol bryant - December 02, 2017 at 04:58 PM

MA

*My sweet Aunt Michal. What a joy she was to all. I was the 1st niece. She always told stories of coming to see her sister Glenda and me. She was certainly loved by all her children,, grandchildren, and all that had a chance to know her. Will be greatly missed. Heaven gained an angel today.
In our thoughts and prayers./, Martha & Allen Bryant*

Martha - December 02, 2017 at 10:55 PM

FF

Dear David, Susan , Sis and Dick - my thoughts and prayers have been with you with the loss of your beautiful and amazing Mom. You are especially in my heart today as you pay tribute to her at Black Creek . I am sorry that I will not be with you to share this time. Mrs Michal was such a loving and giving person -- the epitome of a true Southern Lady who was always so gracious and supportive . I will always remember the time in your home as David and I were growing up and how Mrs Michal always made me feel loved and welcomed. What great times we had as Families with Mrs Michal . Mr . Dickie , Mama and Daddy and all of the Baird and Flowers kids enjoying those Clemson games as well as other outings and get togethers . The Baird and Flowers kids were a fortunate and blessed bunch to have had such terrific Parents. All my Love, sincerely, Frank Flowers Jr. .

frank flowers - December 26, 2017 at 10:42 AM