



Mrs. Roberta Jean Ashe Kelly

January 19, 1934 - September 4, 2024

Roberta Jean Ashe Kelly of Hartsville, SC, passed away on September 4th, 2024, at 90 years old.

A graveside funeral service to honor her life will be held at 11 o'clock on Friday, September 6, 2024, in Gum Branch Baptist Church Cemetery. The Rev Scott Keith and The Rev. Nick Stevenson will officiate. The family will receive friends from 5:00 pm until 7:00 pm on Thursday, September 5, 2024, at the Brown-Pennington-Atkins Funeral Home.

Memorials may be made in her honor to Crescent Hospice, Crescent Hospice, 1370 Browning Road, Suite 120, Columbia, SC 29210, or the Darlington County Humane Society, P.O. Box 1655, Hartsville, SC 29551.

Roberta was born on January 19, 1934, in Clay County, NC, the daughter of Ray and Purnie Nichols Ashe. She was a beloved mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother. She had many passions in life. She enjoyed her church, her flowers, and travel, but mostly doting on her grandchildren and great-grandchildren, whom she dearly loved. She loved telling her grands humble stories of growing up in the mountains of North Carolina. Roberta graduated from Lowell High School in 1953 and married Thomas Avery Stevenson that same year. They moved to Hartsville, SC, in 1961. She retired from A.O. Smith after 18 years.

Roberta is survived by her children, Kim and Cindy Stevenson of Hartsville, Jan Stevenson and Jeff Gainey of Athens, TN, and Nick and Charlene Stevenson of Lexington, SC. She was a cherished grandmother to Nathan and Crystal Saleeby, Douglas and Conli Stevenson, Alex and Lauren Stevenson, and a proud great-grandmother to Wyatt and Anna Saleeby, and Laynie and Aliza Stevenson.

Roberta was fond of her granddogs Ruger, Bodie, and Speedy. Roberta's life was a testament to the love and care she had for her family. She will be deeply missed by all who knew her.

The family wishes to express their gratitude to the staff at The Legacy of Hartsville and Crescent Hospice for the love and care they both provided our mom in her final years.

Cemetery Details

Gum Branch Baptist Church Cemetery

1504 Clyde Rd.
Hartsville, SC

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 5. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Brown Pennington Atkins Funeral Home
306 West Home Avenue
Hartsville, SC 29550
info@bpafuneralhome.com
<http://www.bpafuneralhome.com>

Graveside

SEP 6. 11:00 AM (ET)

Brown Pennington Atkins Funeral Home
306 West Home Avenue
Hartsville, SC 29550
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Tribute Wall



“ *Brown - Pennington - Atkins Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs. Roberta Jean Ashe Kelly*



Brown-Pennington-Atkins Funeral Home - September 05, 2024 at 07:27 PM

AS

“ *We are so very sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.*



Al & Melinda Sansbury - September 07, 2024 at 04:28 PM



“ *So very sorry for your loss you are in my thoughts and prayers*



Crystal Minnehan - September 07, 2024 at 11:05 AM

GV

“ I also worked at AOSMITH with Ms Roberta
prayers for her family



Gary Vann - September 06, 2024 at 09:01 PM

LL

“ To the entire family we are so sorry for your
loss
We will have all of you in our thoughts and
prayers today and the days to come



Lawrence & Cindy Lowe - September 06, 2024 at 06:22 PM

CN

“ Sorry to hear about Mrs Roberta. We worked
together at AO Smith together and the
Western Steer Steakhouse. Praying for the
family during this difficult time.



Chris and Rhonda Norton - September 06, 2024 at 02:32 PM

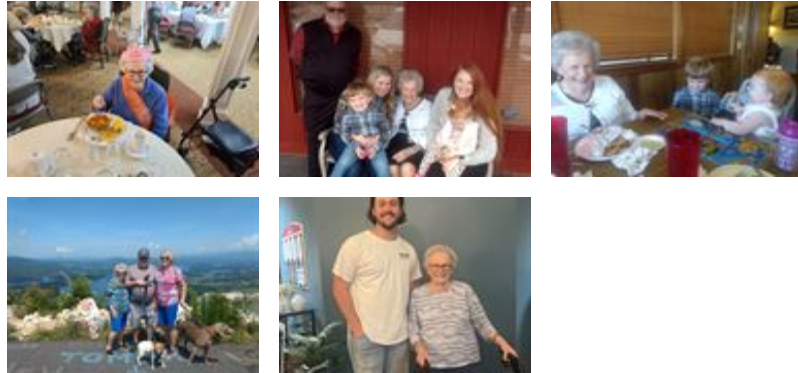
CL

“ Sweet lady! I know you all will miss her. Nick I see you are a Rev.
now 🕊️❤️. I remember having you in my class many years ago at
Gum Branch. 🙏 for you all.

Cookie Lynch - September 05, 2024 at 05:39 PM



“ 59 files added to the album LifeTributes



Brown-Pennington-Atkins Funeral Home - September 05, 2024 at 03:23 PM



“ *Lavonde Smith lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Roberta Jean Ashe Kelly*



Lavonde Smith - September 05, 2024 at 11:30 AM



“ *May she rest in peace. I send my deepest sympathy to the family. With love,*

Rachel (Doyle Medlin)



Rachel Medlin - September 05, 2024 at 11:07 AM



“ *Sending love to all...so saddened to hear of Roberta's passing...She was always such a kind lady to our family...Terri*

Terri Northcutt Woodham - September 05, 2024 at 09:55 AM

LG

“ So sorry to hear of Roberta's passing. She was a pretty happy lady every time I was around her. My Dad, Clint thought a lot of her and now the family circle is gathering on that golden shore. Prayers
Linda Nichols Gilbert

Linda N Gilbert - September 05, 2024 at 09:37 AM

SC

“ Sarah Cole lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Roberta Jean Ashe Kelly



Sarah Cole - September 05, 2024 at 09:12 AM

SC

“ Roberta was my mom's first cousin and she loved to tell stories about when they were young. Roberta was always so loving and caring to mom's family. Many thoughts and prayer for your family.

Love,
Mildred Corn Rogers and family

Sarah Cole - September 05, 2024 at 09:11 AM

AL

Sorry about Roberta passing. Family is in our prayers. I always will miss her.

Alice Reynolds (The Legacy) - September 06, 2024 at 10:44 PM

JH

“ Jean N Howard lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Roberta Jean Ashe Kelly



Jean N Howard - September 05, 2024 at 07:51 AM

DT

“ Debbie Talbert lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Roberta Jean Ashe Kelly



Debbie Talbert - September 05, 2024 at 05:16 AM

LY

“ LEON YATES lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Roberta Jean Ashe Kelly



LEON YATES - September 04, 2024 at 11:22 PM

LY

ROBERTA,
JUST KNOW I WILL ALWAYS APPRECIATE THE LOVE AND
KINDNES YOU SHOWED ME. I LOVE YOU ALWAYS AND WILL SEE
YOU ON THE OTHER SUDE.
LEON

LEON YATES - September 04, 2024 at 11:27 PM

ML

“ *My deepest sympathy to the family of this sweet lady. Pastor Bill & I were blessed to have known her and called her friend.*
Marla Langford

Marla K Langford - September 04, 2024 at 10:00 PM

CG

“ *Claudette Gainey lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Roberta Jean Ashe Kelly*



Claudette Gainey - September 04, 2024 at 09:38 PM

CG

Kim, Cindy, Crystal and Douglas, so sorry for your loss, sending prayers for strength and comfort for all the days ahead.

Claudette Gainey - September 04, 2024 at 09:41 PM

KL

Praying for this precious family during this time, love and hugs!

Kathy Lawhon - September 05, 2024 at 10:44 PM