



Madaline Gillespie

April 24, 1927 - August 20, 2008

Heading: Madaline S. Gillespie

Dateline: Greenville

Rosa Madaline Sutherland Gillespie, 81, of 1311 Pelham Road, died August 20, 2008 at Rolling Green Village.

Born in Pelzer, she was a daughter of the late William Onzie and Grace Hiott Sutherland, a graduate of North Greenville Junior College and a member of City View First Baptist Church. She retired as an executive secretary from Liberty Life Insurance Company where she also organized and directed the forty voice Liberty Life Chorale. However, her calling in life was serving God through her musical talents. An accomplished sacred pianist, she served in Baptist churches including Abbeville First, Eastlan, Central, Pleasant Grove, Northwood, Abner Creek, Friendship, Judson, and Francis Ashbury Methodist. Surviving are her loving husband of 62 years, John David Gillespie of the home; a son and daughter-in-law, Steven and Louise Gillespie of Greer; a sister, Robbie Anna Payne of Abbeville; and three grandchildren, Matthew, David, and Katie Gillespie.

Mrs. Gillespie was predeceased by one sister, Lila Woolbright.

Funeral services will be held 3:00 p.m. Sunday at City View First Baptist Church, conducted by Rev. Mike Runion, Rev. Gerald Roe, and Rev. Mike Moody.

Burial will follow in Mountain View Cemetery.

Pallbearers will be Matthew Gillespie, David Gillespie, Parker Spears, Doug

Dobbins, Jim Spears, and Tom Harper.

Visitation will be held 6:00-8:00 p.m. Saturday at the Wood Mortuary.

The family is at the home of her son, Steven Gillespie, 109 Pine Street, Greer.

Memorials may be made to City View First Baptist Church Music Fund, 2300

W. Blue Ridge Drive, Greenville, S.C. 29611 or the Alzheimer's Association,

301 University Ridge, Suite 5000, Greenville, S.C. 29601.

Online condolences may be made at www.thewoodmortuary.com.

Previous Events

Service

AUG **24**. 3:00 PM (ET)

City View First Baptist Church
2300 West Blue Ridge Drive
Greenville, SC 29611

Tribute Wall



“ Dear Mr. Gillespie,
I was sorry to hear of your mother's passing. I have fond memories of your family.

*Lovingly,
Kimberly*##imported-begin##*Kimberly Mull Cannon*##imported-end##

November 14, 2008 at 12:10 AM



“ We were so sorry to learn of your loss.

It was always so nice to see her at football games. She would always smile and wave in a manner that made one feel they'd been her best friend forever. Such a warm and beautiful lady.

Our prayers are certainly with your family.##imported-begin##*Sonya & Ken Wiren, Darrell, Christopher and Abbey*##imported-end##

August 27, 2008 at 02:57 PM



“ We were so sorry to hear of your loss. Our prayers are with you all.

##imported-begin##*Warren and Pam Turner, Contessa Wright*##imported-end##

August 27, 2008 at 11:03 AM



“ Mr. Gillespie, Steve, Louise & family, I am so sorry for your loss. Even though she is in a better place I know that you will miss her. Glenda (Hollingsworth) Argo###imported-begin##GLEND
ARGO###imported-end##

August 26, 2008 at 10:32 AM



“ Very sorry to hear about your mother. You were lucky to have her so long. I had to do the math to discover that my Mom would have only been 4 years younger than yours. Best wishes to all your family in getting through this time.###imported-begin##Christie Ince
Taylor###imported-end##

August 25, 2008 at 03:36 PM



“ My deepest sympathy to you all but I also rejoice knowing she is now in the heavenly choir. I know Madaline will be looking down and smiling tomorrow as I play a special music duet at church with one of my 8 year old students.

Laurinda###imported-begin##Laurinda Wright DeShong###imported-end##

August 23, 2008 at 06:16 PM



“ Steven, Louise, David, Matt and Katie,
We are so sorry to hear about your mother. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and if there is anything that we can do please let us know. Michael, Lonni, Melissa and Johnny Brown###imported-begin##Lonni & Michael Brown###imported-end##

August 22, 2008 at 10:01 AM



“ Steven, I have fond memories of your mom. You are in my thoughts and prayers at this time. Melanie Davis##imported-begin##Melanie Barbrey Davis##imported-end##

August 22, 2008 at 07:23 AM