



## Viola Lyda

January 17, 1922 - March 21, 2007

Name: Viola M. Lyda

Dateline: Greer

Viola McKinley "Dolly" Lyda, 85, of 2440 Racing Rd., died quietly with her family on March 21, 2007. She was the widow of Troy Odell Lyda.

A native of Greenville County, she was a daughter of the late Benjamin Franklin and Omie Crouder McKinley, a member of Apalache Baptist Church, and a retired employee of J.P. Stevens and Co., Apalache Plant and a retired employee of Star Paper Tube.

Surviving are two sons, Donnie Lyda and Robert Lyda and his wife, Norma, all of Greer, one brother, John McKinley and his wife, Beth, of Columbus, GA., 2 grandsons, Blake Lyda of Charleston and Kevin Lyda and his wife, Pam, of Greenville; 3 Granddaughters, Missy Nicholson and her husband, Nick, of Greer, Nicole Murphy and her husband, Stephen, of Fort Bragg, N.C., and Tara Collins and her husband, Jason, of Charleston; Great granddaughters, Mary Kate Nicholson, Zoe Nicholson and Claire McKinley Murphy; 4 great grandsons, Jackson Lyda, Creighton Lyda, John Simms Lyda and Will-Parks Murphy.

She was predeceased by a son, Michael O. Lyda, a brother, Jack McKinley and 3 Sisters, Fanny E. McKinley, Inez Koepper and Ruby McKinley.

Funeral services will be held 2 p.m. Saturday at Apalache Baptist Church conducted by the Rev. Herschel Crain and the Rev. Brad Atkins. Entombment will be in Hillcrest Memorial Gardens Mausoleum.

The family is at the home of a son, Robert Lyda, 107 Autumn Hill Rd., Greer.  
Visitation will be from 12:30 p.m. until 1:45 p.m. Saturday at the church.  
Memorials may be made to Apalache Baptist Church Building Fund, 1915  
Gap Creek Rd., Greer, SC 29651 or to Greer Christian Learning Center, P.O.  
Box 2013, Greer, SC 29652.  
Online condolences may be made to [www.thewoodmortuary.com](http://www.thewoodmortuary.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR **24**. 12:30 PM - 1:45 PM (ET)

Apalache Baptist Church  
1915 Gap Creek Road  
Greer, SC 29651

## Service

MAR **24**. 2:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

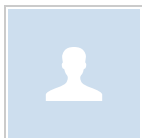


“ Dear Robert and Donnie,  
My heart goes out to you during this time of sorrow. I know it's not easy to have your mother leave, but think of the bright side, we know where she is, with her Lord. I can think of a lot of our former neighbors and friends who have been gone for years and I just bet there is an "Apalache" party going on somewhere and our Dolly is home.  
May our loving and caring Father watch over you.

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“ Donnie, Robert, Norma & Family,

My prayers and thoughts are with you at this most difficult time. Ms. Dolly was a precious lady and has meant much to me these past 10 years. She was an inspiration and touched many lives, and was one of the first people I met when I started working at the church - she and Tiny did the Tape Ministry. I'll always remember her laughter and her smiles. She will be missed; but when I think of Ms. Dolly and her Heavenly home, I can see her now standing in the presence of God with a smile on her face - what a sweet, sweet spirit she had. It's hard to give our Mothers up, but they will always live in our hearts and our memories.

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