



Madeleine (Gilreath) Hunt Morro

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Madeleine Morro, 93, passed away on May 31st, 2008 after a brief illness. She was preceded in death by her husbands Paul Hunt and William C. Morro both of Travelers Rest, SC, her daughter Kay Patricia Hunt Alford and by her grandson, Wes Alford both of Houston, TX. She was born October 3, 1914 to Sallie and Henry C. Gilreath in the Locust Hill Community in Travelers Rest. The youngest of eight children, Madeleine graduated from Mountain View High School and was awarded a full scholarship to Winthrop University. She declined the offer and later attended Furman University. As a ninth grader she won the County Cup for being “the most perfect specimen of girlhood” in Greenville. Later in the countywide competition she was awarded second place by only a point difference. She worked for Union Bleachery/Cone Mills for 30 years as a secretary in personnel and public relations. Many people remember her mother, Sallie, as a wonderful teacher who began her career at the age of 14. Madeline also took on responsibility at a young age. By 12 she was managing her family’s 150 acre farm upon her father’s death. Madeleine was a member of Travelers Rest United Methodist Church and was part of the

morning circle as well as a member of the building and finance committees. She was also a member of the Green Valley Country Club and a charter member of the Mountain Laurel Garden Club. She was the club's first president and longest living charter member. Community service was very important to her as she implemented the volunteer program at North Greenville Hospital and was also its president. She won the Malcolm P. Niven award and Outstanding Volunteer of the Year awards for her tireless work at the hospital. People also remember her as a fantastic baker. She sold many cakes and was widely know for her caramel cake. In her later years she relocated to Alpharetta, GA to be near family. She loved to entertain her great grandchildren with stories of her youth and they always loved visiting her. Surviving is her granddaughter Madelon Alford Morgan, great granddaughters Maddie and Abbey Morgan and son-in-law Dr. W. Eugene Alford all of Alpharetta, GA. The service will be held at 11 am on Saturday, June 7th at Travelers Rest United Methodist Church. The family will receive family and friends from 10-11am at the church. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Wes Alford Memorial Scholarship at Centenary College, 2911 Centenary Blvd, Shreveport, La 71104 or Travelers Rest United Methodist Church, 19 South Main Street, Travelers Rest, SC 29690. The Howze Mortuary & Cremation Service, Travelers Rest, SC is in charge of arrangements. (834-8051)

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 7. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Travelers Rest United Methodist Church
19 South Main Street
Travelers Rest, SC

Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Madeleine was the niece of Clyde Gilreath who was married to my mothers sister. I worked at Union Bleachery after college and Madeleine worked there at the same time. Our prayers are with the family at this time.*

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“ *My condolences to the Madeleine Gilreath Hunt Moro family. She is the neice of Clyde Gilreath, who was married to my Aunt Ruth Batson Gilreath. My prayers are with you at this time of loss.*

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