



Mary O'Dell Robins

July 26, 1928 - February 18, 2019

Mary O'Dell Robins, 90, of Travelers Rest, passed away on Monday, February 18, 2019.

Born in Easley, she was a daughter of the late Clarence and Corrie Kelly O'Dell. Mrs. Robins retired as office manager from Robins Lumber, and was a member of Enoree Baptist Church where she served the shut-in ministry along with her husband Joe Robins, for nineteen years. She was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, and friend. Mrs. Robins mothered everyone who came through her door. Mrs. Robins was an elegant lady, and full of grace.

Surviving are her husband, Joe Ernest Robins, Sr.; one son: Joe Ernest Robins, Jr.; one daughter: Jill Blanton (Devon); two sisters: Rebecca Lesley, and June Jones; one brother: Clarence O'Dell, Jr.; two grandsons: Evan Blanton, and Eric Blanton (Logan); and two great-grandchildren: London and Joshua Blanton.

Along with her parents, she was predeceased by one sister: Kathryn Freeman. Funeral services will be 3:00 p.m. Wednesday afternoon at Enoree Baptist Church, with Dr. Devon Blanton officiating. A private burial will be in Greenville Memorial Gardens.

The family will receive friends from 2:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m. Wednesday afternoon at Enoree Baptist Church.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Enoree Baptist Church Seniors Ministry, 881 Tigerville Rd., Travelers Rest, SC 29690.

Online condolences may be expressed to the family at www.thehowzemortuary.com

The Howze Mortuary, Travelers Rest, is in charge of the arrangements. (864) 834-8051.

Cemetery Details

Greenville Memorial Gardens

7784 Augusta Road
Piedmont, SC 29673

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 20. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Enoree Baptist Church
881 Tigerville Rd.
Travelers Rest, SC

Church Service

FEB 20. 3:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

PP

“ *I met Jill's Mother while in High School. I was in awe of her gentle character, her grace. She taught me unknowingly, life lessons that still stand firm to this day. Say hello to my Mother, and give her a stand up hug! They're the Best, done with intent. Love to the family.*

Peggy Roach Poeta - March 09, 2019 at 05:29 PM

AC

“ For many years after my mother died Mary took on the role of manager of the house and land. (She loved her title) Should a single roof tile fall my phone would ring in NC and I knew I had better find someone to repair whatever was wrong right away! Almost every day she would walk through the house to make sure everything was all right, no leaks or wind damage. This meant going up a very steep staircase to the second floor which was not for the faint of heart (as some of you all may know) , but she was determined to overlook nothing. And so the house remains intact, the lawns properly cut, and all fences standing. Whenever the repair people came she was there on the spot. I told them she was my manager and they were to do what she said. I could not have kept the house, which I love, without her, and when I would come down to TR for various reasons, there was famous "our lunch" with Mary and Joe, always the same Southern food - roast beef, mac and cheese, green beans, coleslaw and of course cornbread! Delicious! I would bring pictures on the iPod of my most recent trips (Seattle, Canada , New Hampshire, the Pacific Coast for example) and sit between Mary and Joe at the kitchen table to look at each one.

When as soon as I got to Momma's house on the current trip Mary would come right over to hear the latest, and we laughed a lot .Whenever I left to go back home to NC, I was to stop over and give her a list of things to take care of at the house and say good bye to her and Joe. Then she would stand at their front door and wave goodbye having admonished me not to forget to call when i got home safely.I therefore remember clearly the last time i saw her...standing at the front door and smiling . I am forever grateful to all the help she gave me (although I often dreaded when the phone rang in Durham from TR because it meant something had happened at Momma's house that had to be repaired.) But I never had to worry because she was always alert to the smallest problem and always on the case! And as I have told everyone, I could not have kept the house all these years without her.

I will miss her terribly and coming to Momma's house will never be

*the same .
Farewell thou good and trusted friend and manager of Holly
TreeFarm!*

Ann Cothran - February 26, 2019 at 11:06 AM

CW

“ *ms. mary was a wonderful lady. always a beautiful smile. god surely
gained a angel
when she went home. god bless and comfort your hearts and give
you peace.
you are in my prayers.*

charlotte Cantrell walters

charlotte walters - February 22, 2019 at 09:22 AM

NR

“ *Mary was such a wonderful human being, so lovely and so graceful.
She was always extremely loving and kind to me, and I'm so very
sorry to hear she has passed. My heart goes out to her husband
Joe, their children Jill and Joe and to the rest of the family. She truly
was so special.*

Nancy Rollins - February 19, 2019 at 03:54 PM

GR

“ *I will always remember Aunt Mary as not only a lovely, graceful, kind
and gentle woman but a lady who has a good sense of humor. Mary
always gave much more than she ever took and never wanted a fuss
made over her. Aunt Mary, thank you for sharing your love of
photography with me. My most heartfelt condolences to Sr, Jr, Jill.
With all my love, Greg Bishop*

Greg - February 19, 2019 at 03:53 PM

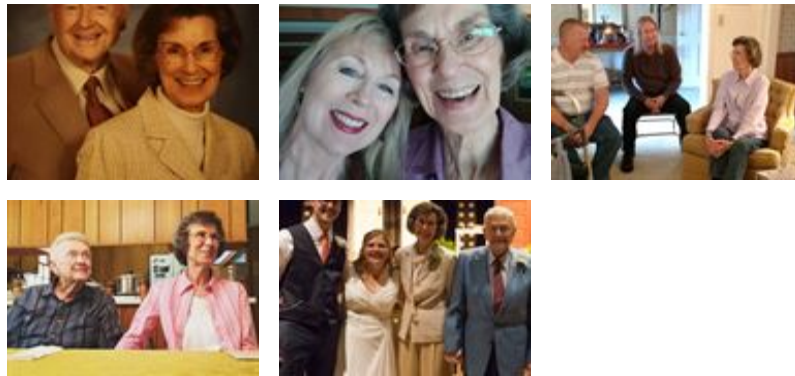
JB

“ Aunt Mary was the most beautiful and wonderful person I’ve had the privilege to have in my life. She was wonderful to me when I was a child. I always looked forward to going to family get togethers and her famous spaghetti. My prayers go to the family and especially Uncle Joe. She will be missed not only by the family but everyone who knew her.

Jubee Bishop - February 19, 2019 at 12:40 PM



“ 48 files added to the album Life Tributes



The Howze Mortuary - February 19, 2019 at 08:21 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mary O'Dell Robins.



February 19, 2019 at 08:18 AM

SR

“ *Dear Jill, I was sorry to hear of your mother's passing. She was such a wonderful lady, always so kind when I visited in your home. I have found memories of her. Please know that you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers during this time.*

*Much love,
Sandy Cervera Reid*

Sandy Reid - February 18, 2019 at 04:56 PM

RA

“ *My sincere sympathy on the loss of Mrs. Robins. She was a precious lady.*

Rev. K. Scott Ayers - February 18, 2019 at 03:47 PM