



Sara Yeargin Gilstrap

February 22, 1942 - March 5, 2026

Sara Yeargin Gilstrap, 84, wife of the late John W. Gilstrap, Jr., went to be with her Lord and Savior on Thursday, March 5, 2026, at McCall Hospice in Simpsonville.

Born in Fountain Inn, SC, she was the daughter of the late Albert William Yeargin and Sara Elizabeth Garrett Yeargin.

Sara was retired from Belk Simpson, Greenville and was the former co-owner of Overbrook Cleaners, Stone Plaza location. She enjoyed serving and worshipping at Outreach Church in Greenville, SC.

She is survived by her three children, John Scott Gilstrap of York, SC, Michael Todd Gilstrap and his wife, Kimberly Joy of Travelers Rest, SC, and Rhonda Gilstrap Gillespie and her husband, James H. "Jim" of Travelers Rest, SC; six grandsons, Collin Michael Gilstrap (Katy), Camron Todd Gilstrap (Elsie), Garrett Howell Gillespie (Dawson), Weston Reid Gillespie (Kaina), Jon-Scot Bradley Gilstrap, Captain US Air Force Wright Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio and Jacob Wesley Gilstrap of Charleston, SC; siblings, Mary Jane Yeargin Durham (Kenneth) and Robert Earl Yeargin (Lynne); and sister-in-law, Margaret Yeargin.

In addition to her parents and husband of 61 years, John W. Gilstrap, Jr., who

was the former Assistant Chief of the Parker Fire District, she was predeceased by her sister, Sylvia Annette Yeargin and her brother, Jerry Michael Yeargin.

A visitation will be held on Saturday, March 7, 2026 from 10:00 a.m. until 10:50 a.m. at The Howze Mortuary, 6714 State Park Road in Travelers Rest. The memorial service will follow the visitation in the Chapel at 11:00 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to support the continued expansion of Outreach Church's ministry. Contributions may be sent to Outreach Church, P.O. Box 923, Taylors, SC 29687, or made online at www.outreachchurch.net/give.

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

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 7. 10:00 AM - 10:50 AM (ET)

The Howze Mortuary, Inc.
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Celebration of Life

MAR 7. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

MJ

“ Scott and are sorry for your loss. She must have been mighty proud of her grandsons. (We are Collin's in-laws.)

Mary T Johnson - March 14 at 04:00 PM

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“ Sorry to hear of Sara's passing. She was always a friend in my Brandon Church years. I know she will be missed 🌹

Debbie King O'Kelley - March 08 at 04:36 PM



“ Sara was such a special person. She had a smile that would light the room. It was such a blessing to be able to call her and John my friend. Sending Love and Prayers.
Randy Ellenburg

Randy Ellenbirg - March 06 at 05:31 PM