



Margaret Caroline Upright Mann

March 3, 1924 - August 29, 2013

The visitation in honor of Margaret U. Mann, scheduled for October 19 at First Baptist Church, has been postponed due to family travel issues. We will update our website as soon as the new information is available.

On August 29, 2013, Margaret Upright Mann left her Earthly life as gracefully as she lived it. To her devoted family, loving friends and admiring community, all good gifts and life lessons learned have been passed on to those she knew and loved. A list of her deeds of good will and friendship live on in the lives of those she touched throughout her life. Together with family, she would appreciate any kindnesses offered at this time, but all would prefer that memorial donations be made to First Baptist Church, 1001 Bedford Avenue, Altavista, Virginia 24517, or to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, Tennessee 38105-9956. A graveside memorial service will be held at Green Hill Cemetery later in the autumn.

Margaret was born the fourth daughter of Carl and Minnie Upright on March 3, 1924, in Mt. Ulla, North Carolina, where she lived until graduating high school and moving to Mooresville, North Carolina. Married for sixty-one years to her loving husband, Tennyson W. Mann, she is survived by her two children: Myron Tennyson Mann and wife, Victoria, of Cheshire, England, and Dona Caroline Mann of Morrisville, North Carolina; five grandchildren: Brandon

Caroline Cox of Springfield, Illinois; Stuart Cameron Cox and wife, Macey, of Alexandria, Virginia; Christopher Jordan Mann of Charleston, South Carolina; and Sophie Victoria and Lara Mary Caroline Mann of Cheshire, England; one step-grandson: Bryan William Shreve of Jacksonville, Florida; one great-grandson: Stuart Mason Cox of Alexandria, Virginia; Ann and Larry Brown of Mooresville, North Carolina; one special exchange student: Stuart Halsall of Denver, Colorado, and other very dear family members and friends.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 19. 2:30 PM - 4:30 PM (ET)

First Baptist Church
1001 Bedford Ave.
Altavista, VA 24517

Tribute Wall

MA

“ *Marian sent a virtual gift in memory of Margaret Caroline Upright Mann*



Marian - March 08, 2018 at 12:19 PM

MA

“ *Marian lit a candle in memory of Margaret Caroline Upright Mann*



Marian - March 08, 2018 at 12:19 PM

GW

“ *So sorry to hear about your mom. She was a beautiful lady and mom. I know she will be missed greatly. Thoughts and prayers be with you.*



Greg Smith Wolfe - September 22, 2013 at 02:01 PM

BC

“ Dear Myron and Dona,

Baxton and I extend our sincere sympathy to you and your families in the loss of your beautiful and loving mother. Margaret and Tennyson were good friends and neighbors. We had some good times together. Margaret was a good cook and we shared many recipes which I am still using, including your grandmother's recipe for peach cobbler. So the legacy lives on through generations. Margaret was gracious and eloquent and that is how she will always be remembered.

Betty

Betty Cook - September 11, 2013 at 08:27 AM

PI

“ *Paul VanKerckhove II lit a candle in memory of Margaret Caroline Upright Mann*



Paul VanKerckhove II - September 10, 2013 at 08:37 AM

RL

“ *Dona & Myron; Margaret was such a beautiful lady. I remember so well when my Sharon and Dona were in school together. they were the best of friends and Margaret and I got to be good friends also. She was a good Mary Kay customer of mine and when I moved we still were good friends. Dona I would love to come to the service but can't do much driving these days but please know that you have my deepest sympathy. Love to all of you . Ruth Lewis.*

Ruth A. Lewis - September 05, 2013 at 02:30 PM

GC

“ *Myron and Dona, I am sorry to hear of your loss. Certainly I remember many deeds of goodwill and friendship she bestowed on my family, especially my mother, during some difficult times.*

*Yours truly,
Gil Cothran*



Gil & Becky Cothran - September 05, 2013 at 08:47 AM

LR

“ *Dear Dona and Myron, so sorry for the loss of your mama. I always enjoyed conversations with her. She was one of the most gracious ladies I have ever met. I learned to appreciate her very early in my career at Klopman. And, though Tennyson was the employee, it was obvious your mama was in the background with constant support, for him and for us. I will cherish my memories.*



Linda Rice - September 04, 2013 at 08:36 PM

SB

“ I am so sorry, Dona and Myron, for the loss of your beautiful mother. I moved away from Altavista almost 20 years ago, so had not seen her in all this time, but my memories of her, and of Tennyson, go back to the late forties, when my husband, Don Bailey, was one of the first people to be hired to work at Klopman, starting before the building was even finished. We had great times together at the Klopman Club House up on the hill, and I watched both of you grow up on Bedford Avenue. We lived just around the corner on Eleventh Street. Your dad always made such a big deal with his Christmas decorations of your home (Once done all in pink, with a giant Christmas tree built around your front door, and stretching to the second floor roofline!) One had to enter the home through the bough-covered door!

Hope your many warm memories will bring you solace as you face the days ahead. My most sincere sympathy to you and your family.

Shirley Mayhew Bailey, Burke, VA

Shirley Mayhew Bailey - September 04, 2013 at 01:42 PM

HG

“ Myron and Dona - I am saddened at your loss but so joyful at the unanimity of the thoughts and remembrances of the beauty and grace personified by your mom. You know I always had a special fondness for the Manns and that was probably because of the qualities she exemplified and passed to you. love Harry G

Harry Gonyer - September 03, 2013 at 08:25 AM

“ Dear Dona, Myron, extended family, and friends,

These beautiful lines from George Santayana’s poem, “In Memoriam,” came quietly but inexorably to mind as I learned of the passing of Margaret Mann, whom I met only this Spring as she struggled valiantly to hold onto the sweetness that had once been her life in Altavista:

*“ But yet I treasure in my memory
Your gift of charity, and young hearts ease,
And the dear honour of your amity;
For these once mine, my life is rich with these.
And I scarce know which part may greater be,
What I keep of you, or you rob from me.”*

It was her truly magnificent daughter, Dona, who gave me the special gift of an introduction to her mother, who even ravaged by a disease that had her trapped in a failing body, radiated a rare grace and beauty that enveloped me as I looked into her eyes. As she looked back into mine, I think our souls touched for a brief moment, and because we share the same birthday, March 3, that moment will remain with me forever.

Eulogies, even the most loving and profound, rarely transcend the moment. But the true legacy of Margaret will live on, embodied in the strength and courage of Dona, whose patience and tireless commitment of loving care sustained her mother in those final days, and who must take Margaret’s place as the family’s matriarch.

I will not soon forget the picture left in my mind’s eye of Dona leaning over her mother, promising Margaret she’d never be alone. And I will be forever touched by the knowledge that in the early morning hours of August 29, as Margaret’s struggle ended, Dona fulfilled that promise, holding her mother tenderly in her arms as she said goodbye.

Dennis Pierman

Dennis Pierman - September 01, 2013 at 09:38 AM

MW

“ *While I am deeply saddened on the passing of Aunt Margaret I am glad she went peacefully and has joined her beloved husband and her family members. She was such a gracious and elegant lady and there was nothing she wouldn't do to help others. I always said I was named after her and while it's true we know were both named after our elder grandmother. We mourn the loss of this beautiful lady for us but we rejoice as Christians that she is now with God and family. I will never forget my beloved Aunt Margaret. Love and Prayers,*
Margaret Anne



Margaret Wagner - August 31, 2013 at 02:10 PM

PG

“ *Deeply saddened by the loss of Dear Aunt Marty. Simply the Classiest, most elegant woman that touched my life. I value every minute I spent in her company.*

Paul Greene - August 31, 2013 at 12:13 PM

AP

“ Dear Myron and Dona,

My deepest sympathy to you at the time. Losing your mother is a profound loss-- losing the elegant lovely woman I remember with the warmest smile when she and you father came to our house -well I know it will be difficult. But she and Tennyson and Mom and Dad and the rest of that gang will be dancing in their Christmas sweaters and eating fine food and and and laughing with God now-- much love to you both. My prayers are with you.

Ann Price

ann price - August 31, 2013 at 01:11 AM



AO

“ *I loved her from day one. Myron and Dona, thank you for sharing her. So honored to have always known her as Aunt Marty. She will be missed but has left so many wonderful memories.*

Anne Olsen - August 30, 2013 at 06:28 PM

DB

“ *Dorothy Brooks lit a candle in memory of Margaret Caroline Upright Mann*



Dorothy Brooks - August 30, 2013 at 04:37 PM

AF

“ *Airabella Flowers lit a candle in memory of Margaret Caroline Upright Mann*



airabella flowers - August 30, 2013 at 03:28 PM

MF

“ *Marguerite Finch lit a candle in memory of Margaret Caroline Upright Mann*



Marguerite Finch - August 30, 2013 at 09:46 AM



“ *Trey Finch lit a candle in memory of Margaret Caroline Upright Mann*



Trey Finch - August 30, 2013 at 09:11 AM

JC

“ *JEFF SAUNDERS (DODSON PEST CONTROL) lit a candle in memory of Margaret Caroline Upright Mann*



JEFF SAUNDERS (DODSON PEST CONTROL) - August 29, 2013 at 07:37 PM

LH

“ *Margaret was such a beautiful and gracious lady. I have wonderful memories of working with her at then, Campbell County Bank.*
Betty Hunley

Larry and Betty Hunley - August 29, 2013 at 02:17 PM

LH

“ *Larry And Betty Hunley lit a candle in memory of Margaret Caroline Upright Mann*



Larry and Betty Hunley - August 29, 2013 at 02:14 PM