



Russelle Burley Pillow

May 14, 1925 - March 28, 2015

Russelle Burley Pillow, 89, of 112 Quail Ridge Drive, Altavista died Saturday, March 28, 2015 at her home. She was the wife of the late Nathan Newton Pillow.

She was born May 14, 1925 in Amherst, a daughter of the late Marion Rosser Burley and Sally Falwell Burley. She was a longtime member of First Baptist Church of Altavista. Russelle was a voracious reader, an avid bridge player, and a wonderful hostess while entertaining friends at her home. Her neighbors and lifelong friends held a very special place in her heart and she considered them part of her family. She treasured her life as wife and Mother.

She is survived by two daughters, Anne Pillow Olsen and her husband Harry of Chicago, IL and Jane Scott Pillow of Altavista; a brother, Ross Burley and his wife Gladys of Amherst; and two sisters, Kathleen Meredith of Lynchburg and Roberta Burley of Amherst.

She was preceded in death by two brothers, Daniel and Gary Burley.

A memorial service will be conducted at 11:00 a.m., Thursday, May 14, 2015 at First Baptist Church by the Rev. Dr. Michael Lee.

The family suggests that those wishing to make memorials consider the

Lynchburg Humane Society, 3305 Naval Reserve Rd., Lynchburg, VA 24501
or First Baptist Church, 1001 Bedford Ave., Altavista, VA 24517.

Cemetery Details

Green Hill Cemetery

300 Westwood Drive
Altavista, VA 24517

Previous Events

Memorial Service

MAY **14**. 11:00 AM (ET)

First Baptist Church
1001 Bedford Ave.
Altavista, VA 24517

Tribute Wall



“ Anne - I live in Nashville, TN now but still take the Altavista Journal. I was sorry to see that your Mother passed away - I have nice memories of her from visits to your house - many years ago! Thinking of you, Holly Potter Burks

Holly Burks - May 15, 2015 at 09:24 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Russelle Burley Pillow .



May 13, 2015 at 01:41 PM



“ Tobie Church Bentz lit a candle in memory of Russelle Burley Pillow



Tobie Church Bentz - April 22, 2015 at 03:18 PM



“ Anne & family, I am so sorry to hear of your mother's passing. May God bless you each with a heart full of precious memories to get you thru.

Abbie Dawson Witt - April 01, 2015 at 11:33 AM

CS

“ *Connie Southerland lit a candle in memory of Russelle Burley Pillow*



Connie Southerland - April 01, 2015 at 08:39 AM

CS

“ *Jane, your mother was a sweet, beautiful, loving woman. She always greeted me with a beautiful smile and a warm hug. Thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.*

Connie Southerland

Connie Southerland - April 01, 2015 at 08:38 AM

FK

“ *Jane...I'm deeply sorry to hear of your mothers passing. I know she was not well for a good while and what a blessing for her to have you at her side. I hope you find peace and comfort in knowing she is alive and well and present with the Lord!!*

many blessings
Frankie Ann Kenley

Frankie Kenley - March 31, 2015 at 02:39 PM

JG

“ *Love, love, love Russelle. I have so many wonderful memories of Russelle as I was growing up. She was like a mother to me, and never hesitated to scold me if I needed it (which was often)! She will be sorely missed, but Anne and Jane, Heaven has another angel now!*

Jo Gafford - March 31, 2015 at 02:30 PM

KB

“*Russelle was so very dear to my grandmother, Isabelle Elliott Lewis, so she was very dear to me. Russelle was so kind write to my children when they were born to remind them of their their Virginia heritage with a poem that we will always treasure. I am so sorry for your loss, but happy thinking of those cute ladies playing bridge together again again in heaven!*”

Kiresten Lesle Barr - March 31, 2015 at 10:18 AM

CS

“*Carla Slusher lit a candle in memory of Russelle Burley Pillow*”



Carla Slusher - March 31, 2015 at 09:09 AM

CS

My Mother, Elaine Fowler, loved playing bridge with Mrs Pillow. Your family is in my thoughts and prayers.

Carla Slusher - March 31, 2015 at 09:10 AM

MS

“*Jane and Anne - my thoughts are with you. She was a special lady and I know how much both of you were there for her through her illness. May she rest in peace. Marie*”

Marie Smith - March 31, 2015 at 08:08 AM

JB

“ *Jerry And Dru Barbee lit a candle in memory of Russelle Burley Pillow*



Jerry and Dru Barbee - March 31, 2015 at 07:39 AM

EP

“ *Eddie Puckette lit a candle in memory of Russelle Burley Pillow*



Eddie Puckette - March 31, 2015 at 06:30 AM

EP

Jane, Sorry to hear about your Mother, May the Lord be with you and your family during this time

Eddie

Eddie Puckette - March 31, 2015 at 06:31 AM



“ *Jane & Family. I am so sorry for your loss.*



Jo Ann Midkiff - March 30, 2015 at 10:30 PM

EC

“ *Ellyn Cox lit a candle in memory of Russelle Burley Pillow*



Ellyn Cox - March 30, 2015 at 06:43 PM

RL

“ *Roberta Liebl lit a candle in memory of Russelle Burley Pillow*



Roberta Liebl - March 30, 2015 at 04:56 PM

JK

“ *Janice Kelley lit a candle in memory of Russelle Burley Pillow*



Janice Kelley - March 30, 2015 at 12:14 PM

BA

“ *Barbie Andrews lit a candle in memory of Russelle Burley Pillow*



Barbie Andrews - March 30, 2015 at 11:21 AM

BA

I'm so very sorry about your mother. She was a dear, sweet lady and gave the best hugs! Love, Barbie Jo

Barbie Andrews - March 30, 2015 at 11:23 AM

BA

I'm so sorry for your loss! She was a dear, sweet lady who gave great hugs! Love, Barbie Jo

Barbie Andrews - March 30, 2015 at 11:48 AM

CD

So sorry! Our sympathy Conrad and Netta

Conrad Dudley - March 31, 2015 at 03:41 AM

MS

“ *My deepest sympathy! So sorry for your loss.*

Mike Southern

Mike Southern - March 30, 2015 at 09:26 AM

TD

“ *Jane,
So sorry to hear about your Mom. You are in
my thoughts and prayers. Hugs and love.*
Teresa David



Teresa David - March 30, 2015 at 07:21 AM

LM

“ *Lynne Mann lit a candle in memory of
Russelle Burley Pillow*



Lynne Mann - March 29, 2015 at 09:36 PM

AF

“ *Anita Freeman-Phillips lit a candle in memory
of Russelle Burley Pillow*



Anita Freeman-Phillips - March 29, 2015 at 03:54 PM



“ *Mrs. Pillow always greeted me with a smile
and kind words. She will be remembered by
many for her kindness.*



Robert Finch - March 29, 2015 at 01:05 PM