



Helen Shackelford Barkley

June 17, 1927 - April 19, 2019

Ripley, MS - Helen Shackelford Barkley, 91, passed away on Friday, April 19, 2019, at the Tippah County Hospital in Ripley, MS. She was born on June 17, 1927, to Edward Payne " E.P." and Willard Fryar Shackelford in Tippah County - Mississippi. Mrs. Helen worked for twenty-five years at Blue Bell as Supervisor and then was Owner and Operator of Barkley's Cleaners. She was an avid bridge player and golfer, and played basketball in her early years. She was a sports enthusiast, as well as a Gardner. She was a devoted and beloved member of First United Methodist Church in Ripley, MS.

Services will be at 1:00 PM Monday, April 22, 2019, at First United Methodist Church with Rev. Jason Franklin officiating. Burial will follow in Tippah Memorial Gardens.

Visitation will be Monday, April 22, 2019, from 9:00 AM until service time at 1:00 PM at First United Methodist Church.

Mrs. Helen is survived by one daughter: Jo Todd (Richard) of Ripley, MS; one son: Greg Barkley (Jennifer) of Holly Springs, MS; seven grandchildren: Jennifer Mauney (Joey) of Oxford, MS, John Todd (Charity) of Houston, TX, Shelley Cribbs (Tommy) of Oxford, MS, Katie Barkley of Ripley, MS, Lee Barkley (Leigh Ellen) of Atlanta, GA, Bailey Blaker of Holly Springs, MS , Taylor Blaker of Holly Springs; great-grandchildren: Max & Ellie Mauney, Madeline, Eli, Lilly Kate Todd, Thomas & Samuel Cribbs, Allie Rae Barkley, Thad Barkley; survived by a host of wonderful neighbors and friends.

Preceding her in death were her parents; her husband of 67 years: Max

Clinton Barkley; her twin sister: Helon Carter; two brothers: Marlin Shackelford, Horace Shackelford.

Pallbearers will be John Todd, Joey Mauney, Max Mauney, Lee Barkley, Lanny Shackelford, Tommy Cribbs, Paul Fleming, Curtis Carter.

Memorials in memory of Mrs Helen may be made to First United Methodist Church, 302 South Main Street, Ripley, MS. 38663

Expressions of sympathy, for the Barkley family, may be sent to: www.mcbridefuneralhome.com

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 22. 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

First United Methodist Church
302 S. Main St.
Ripley, MS 38663

Service

APR 22. 1:00 PM (CT)

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Cemetery Details

APR 22.

Tippah Memorial Gardens
Hwy 370
Ripley, MS

Tribute Wall



“ *Helen Shackelford Barkley*

October 05, 2023 at 12:14 PM



“ *So sorry to hear about Helen. We did not get to attend service or visitation as we did not know details soon enough. I always loved Helen and Helon. Both were such precious ladies*

Susan Landers - April 25, 2019 at 07:46 PM



“ *Greg, I'm so sorry about your Mom. Sending prayers as y'all celebrate a life well lived. Take care!*

Quay Parks - April 23, 2019 at 06:43 AM



“ *Our family enjoyed the time as neighbors with Mrs Helen. She will always have a special place In our hearts . Precious Lady. She would always say (I just love to watch your purple gladiolus) they would bloom longer than normal.*

Lisa Massengill - April 22, 2019 at 03:22 PM



“ *Greg, I was so sorry to hear of your loss of your Mom. I lost my Mom in November and I understand you feelings. May God give you comfort and solace.*

Brenda Hopkins - April 22, 2019 at 02:09 PM

MB

“ All of us at Bennett Plumbing were saddened to hear of your loss of Mrs. Helen. May the Lord comfort all of you.

Mac Bennett - April 22, 2019 at 02:05 PM

EB

“ Ms. Helen was the sweetest lady. Our whole family loved her. She was such an inspiration to so many. She left a great legacy and will be missed dearly.

Elizabeth Behm - April 22, 2019 at 10:49 AM



“ Ms Helen is one of the sweetest, kindest, ladies I have ever known. Love her!



Pamela Hill - April 21, 2019 at 07:37 AM

WC

“ She was a kind and sweet southern lady. She always said I looked like Aunt Kate Walker who was my grandmother, who was Another sweet and kind southern lady. She will be missed. Love to the family.

wanda carr - April 20, 2019 at 03:50 PM

PB

“ John and I are so sorry to hear about Ms. Helen's passing. John so enjoyed working for her and the conversations they shared. She will be greatly missed. You all are in our prayers. Love, John and Patsy Braddock

Patsy Braddock - April 20, 2019 at 03:30 PM

GE

So sorry Jo And Greg for your loss . I seen her and talked to her about 1hr. Before the lord call her home . At mrs. Mary Beauty shop. I take my client there every Friday .. we will truely miss seen and talking to her .

Gwen Evans - April 23, 2019 at 11:09 PM