



Mrs. Polly Hill Woodham

September 22, 1930 - April 3, 2019

Polly Hill Woodham, beloved wife of Willis Josey Woodham for 67 years and cherished grandmother “Poggy,” went to be with her Lord April 3, 2019. A graduate of Spartanburg High School and Converse College, she was an optimist and a cheerleader for her children, grandchildren and every friend lucky enough to know her. Polly loved everyone she knew, and everyone she knew loved her. Her children were glad she spent much time listening, talking and encouraging each and every child and adult who crossed her threshold—and there were many!

She taught school, taught hunt seat riding at her own riding school, bred Thoroughbreds, trained horses, and trained numerous children (her own and others!). She organized horse shows and talent shows. She loved Lake Summit, birdwatching and Jesus. Polly was a Girl Scout leader, a Sunday School teacher, a Celebrate Recovery leader, and a choir director and member.

Polly was a strong voice for South Carolina’s family farmers through Women Involved in Farm Economics (WIFE) and the American Agriculture Movement. She testified before Congress and was an advisor on agriculture to the S.C. Delegation in Washington, D.C. A native of Spartanburg and a devoted Christian, she spent most of her adult life in Bishopville, S.C. After her children grew up, she moved to Asheville, N.C., to open a clothing boutique, Glimpses.

In more recent years, she and her husband returned to Spartanburg's east side.

She leaves behind four of her five children: Martha Adger Woodham, Susan Chappell Woodham, Mary Woodham Randall (Tom), Margaret Katherine "Kathy" Woodham (Steve Wong) and Katherine Woodham (Jerry Laney). She leaves grandchildren: Harrison Woodham White (Will White), Wesley Randall, Meg Randall (engaged to Curt Bagwell), Adam Wong (Vince Alarid), Allyn Wong (Nick Janaro), Willis Josey Woodham III (engaged to Stephanie Sciortino) and Conner Woodham as well as her brother Gabriel Cloud Hill III. The family especially thanks lifelong friends Marie Harris and William Harris. She was predeceased by her beloved son, Willis Josey Woodham, Jr.; her parents, Gabriel Cloud Hill Jr. and Margaret Law Hill; and her sister, Mary Hill Bryant.

Services will be held at 3 p.m., Sunday, April 7, at Bethlehem United Methodist Church, 115 W. Church St., Bishopville, SC, with burial afterward at the BUMC cemetery. Visitation will be from 3 to 5 p.m., Saturday, April 6, at 194 Jeremy Lane, Bishopville. The family has been uplifted by the many wonderful messages from Polly's friends and acquaintances. In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be made to Bethlehem United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 167, Bishopville, S.C., 29010. Hancock-Elmore-Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Serving as pallbearers will be Wesley Randall, Adam Wong, Will Woodham, Conner Woodham, Will White, and Curt Bagwell.

Cemetery Details

Bethlehem Cemetery

110 Pinchum Sly Rd.
Bishopville, SC

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 6. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

The Woodham Residence
194 Jeremy Lane
Bishopville, SC 29010

Service

APR 7. 3:00 PM (ET)

Bethlehem United Methodist Church
115 W. Church Street
Bishopville, SC 29010

Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Polly Hill Woodham*

October 08, 2023 at 04:16 PM



“ *Mrs. Polly Hill Woodham*

March 25, 2023 at 11:01 AM



“ *My prayers go out to the family of this lovely lady. May the many fond memories give you strength during this difficult time.*

Jean Shumway

Jean Shumway - April 06, 2019 at 10:23 AM



“ *I have been blessed of the Lord to call Polly Sister and friend. The Spirit of Christ shown brightly in her. I will see her again. Praise God!*

Beverley La Point - April 06, 2019 at 09:28 AM



“ *Mary, Susan, Martha, Kathy and Mr. Woodham I am so sorry to hear of Mrs. Polly's passing. She was the sweetest lady. I always felt so welcome in her home many years ago when I would visit. Great example of a southern christian lady comes to mind when I think of her. Prayers and hugs for you all.*

Lynn Griggs - April 06, 2019 at 08:32 AM

AK

“ Wiiiis, Martha, Susan, Mary and Kathy my love and prayers to all of you during this time of your loss. Polly was such a special lady and was loved by everyone. The years that we shared together will always hold a special place in my heart. She will be missed but never forgotten.



Ann King - April 05, 2019 at 08:38 PM

JK

“ So sorry for the family's loss. Polly was a wonderful lady and will be remembered by all.



Judy Kelley - April 05, 2019 at 04:47 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mrs. Polly Hill Woodham.



April 05, 2019 at 03:18 PM

AJ

“ Alan And Kathy Jackson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Polly Hill Woodham



Alan and Kathy Jackson - April 05, 2019 at 12:33 PM

VR

“ Virginia Rogers lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Polly Hill Woodham



Virginia Rogers - April 05, 2019 at 12:27 PM

AL

“ Polly was one of the finest people I have ever known. How wonderful to have had her in our lives!

April Lucas - April 05, 2019 at 11:07 AM

NL

“ Nancy Laney Lindsay lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Polly Hill Woodham



Nancy Laney Lindsay - April 05, 2019 at 10:11 AM

MP

“ Sandi, ANNETTE, and I were delighted to meet Polly on a visit to cousin Harriet and Amy. We had such fun at that dinner party and have many memories to cherish. May the Lord bless this family and give comfort during these difficult days. Marylou Powell

Marylou Powell - April 05, 2019 at 09:07 AM

KV

“ Our thought are with you all. I have such wonderful memories of my time spent with Polly and the entire family. Love you all.



Karen Voerg - April 05, 2019 at 08:12 AM

DG

“ Will,
I am so sorry for your loss. I know how "special"grandmothers are!
You are in my thoughts and prayers. Debbie Gidens,

Debbie Gidens - April 05, 2019 at 07:57 AM

DD

“ David And Vicki Dice lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Polly Hill Woodham



David and Vicki Dice - April 05, 2019 at 06:59 AM

RE

“ Rich And Gaye Easterling lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Polly Hill Woodham



Rich and Gaye Easterling - April 04, 2019 at 11:46 PM

AD

“ *Abbie Denny lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Polly Hill Woodham*



Abbie Denny - April 04, 2019 at 11:41 PM

PB

“ *Phillip Boykin lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Polly Hill Woodham*



Phillip Boykin - April 04, 2019 at 11:12 PM

TD

“ *Tommy Dampier lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Polly Hill Woodham*



Tommy Dampier - April 04, 2019 at 10:19 PM

TD

My thoughts and prayers are with you all during this time. I loved your mother very much. Love to you all.

Tommy Dampier - April 04, 2019 at 10:20 PM



“ *Susan Watkins lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Polly Hill Woodham*



Susan Watkins - April 04, 2019 at 10:16 PM



“ *Iris Parnell Hayes lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Polly Hill Woodham*



Iris Parnell Hayes - April 04, 2019 at 08:49 PM



Miss Polly was truly remarkable and will be missed by all those who were lucky enough to know and love her. My love to all the family!

Lee Dickinson Brunson - April 05, 2019 at 12:08 PM



“ *I have so many fond memories of Mrs. Woodham from my childhood and teens. She was a special lady. Prayers for the family.*

Iris Parnell Hayes - April 04, 2019 at 08:49 PM

CM

“ Willis, Martha, Susan,,Kathy,Mary and Katherine, sending my deepest sympathy to you in the loss of your precious love one. May God give each of you comfort, strength and peace during this difficult time in your lives. Polly was loved by many and will be missed by many. Gods' Blessings to each. Love in Christ Clara McElveen.

Clara McElveen - April 04, 2019 at 08:19 PM

KW

You are so precious and your words are priceless! Much love to you as well!

Katherine Woodham - April 04, 2019 at 10:43 PM

CM

“ Clara McElveen lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Polly Hill Woodham



Clara McElveen - April 04, 2019 at 08:10 PM

LG

“ Larry Grantham lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Polly Hill Woodham



Larry Grantham - April 04, 2019 at 07:28 PM

 Kathy
Van Dyke

“ *Kathy Van Dyke lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Polly Hill Woodham*



Kathy Van Dyke - April 04, 2019 at 02:27 PM

JB

“ *Johnny And Suzanne (Skinner) Beasley lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Polly Hill Woodham*



Johnny and Suzanne (Skinner) Beasley - April 04, 2019 at 10:59 AM

CS

To know her was to love her 💕 she was beautiful inside and out- such fond memories from back in the day— May her legacy live on in your hearts — My deepest sympathy to you all 🙏🙏

Cathy Scott Strickland - April 07, 2019 at 10:35 PM

ML

Dear sweet Polly. You were God's emissary on earth. You are now where you were meant to be - in the glory of our Lord's presence. I cannot imagine your happiness and for that we are all so grateful. God speed, Polly!

Maggie Layer

Maggie Layer - May 07, 2019 at 08:45 AM