



## Martha Matthews

April 22, 2012

Martha W. Matthews, 77, a lifelong resident of Portsmouth, Died April 22, 2012. Martha was preceded in death by her parents, Sue and Everett Whittaker and her sister, Betty Cross. She was a member of Jackson Memorial Baptist Church and a 55 year member of Fellowship Chapter # 140 Order of the Eastern Star.

Martha is survived by her husband of 55 years, Melvin L. Matthews; daughters, Jeannie Anderson, and her husband, Andy, Donna Polston, and her husband, Rick and Martha O'Hara and her husband, David; by four grandchildren, Caleb Polston, Britney, Micah, and Noah O'Hara; sister, Sue Davis, her husband, Bill of Raleigh, NC; seven nieces and nephews as well as several great nieces and great nephews.

Martha loved the Lord, her family, her roses, her garden, her dolls, the horses, and cooking.

The family offers a special thanks to Dr. Thomas Harrington and the staff of Bon Secours Maryview Nursing Care Center. Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association or charity of your choice.

A funeral service will be held at 3 p.m. Wednesday in Loving Funeral Home, Churchland Chapel by Rev. Cliff Whitlock with burial to follow at Olive Branch

Cemetery. The family will receive friends in the funeral home Tuesday from 6:30-8:00 p.m. with an O.E.S. service starting at 6:30 p.m.

# Tribute Wall



“ Dear Melvin, Jeannie, Donna and Martha Jean --

*I am thinking of all of you during this time of loss. I remember fondly growing up together at Jackson Memorial, trips to Virginia Beach, GA camp, school field trips, and your mom's wonderful pickles.*

*Take comfort that she is with our Lord. God Bless!##imported-begin##LuAnn Yost-Brady##imported-end##*

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April 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Please accept my heartfelt condolences on behalf of my family for your great loss. I was always included in family events, holidays, and welcomed inside the home any time growing up down the street as a child. Mrs. Mathews was one of the strongest and most family oriented women I know. I am a better person for knowing her. May god bless the entire family.##imported-begin##Karen Bromberg Branson##imported-end##

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April 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ I am so sorry to hear of Martha's passing. You & your family will be in my thoughts.##imported-begin##Carol M. Warren##imported-end##

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April 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ I know of no other person who loved her family any stronger than Martha loved hers. May you all find peace knowing she suffers no more. God be with you in this time of grief.##imported-begin##Jackie Harris##imported-end##

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April 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Mrs. Matthews will always have a special place in my heart. I am proud to have called her my friend! My prayers and love go out to Mr. Matthews, Jeannie, Donna, Martha and their families during this time of loss. Although this is a sad time for the family and friends, may we take comfort in the fact that she is well in the arms of the Lord.##imported-begin##Mike Pierce##imported-end##

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April 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ You will be greatly missed by all!

~Dottie Fink##imported-begin##Dorothy Fink##imported-end##

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April 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ We love and miss you Grandma! But we are happy to know that you are with the Lord now! : Love - Micah, Brit, Noah##imported-begin##Micah, Britney, Noah ##imported-end##

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April 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ I am so sorry for your loss. I hope that it will bring you comfort knowing that she is now whole again and at peace in mind, body and spirit.##imported-begin##Darlene Wilson##imported-end##

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April 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Jeannie,  
So sorry to hear of your loss. You, your Dad and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Edye Phelps##imported-end##

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