



Reba Lucille Ketchum

April 21, 2010

Reba Lucille Ketchum, 91 went to be with her Lord April 21, 2010 after a long battle with Alzheimer's disease. She was preceded in death by her husband, Ira Leroy Ketchum, Sr. Stepsons, Ira Leroy Ketchum, Jr. and Rodney Ketchum, nine siblings and her grandson, Tommy White and her granddaughter, Valerie White. She leaves behind three cherished children, Doree D. Mason and her husband, Sandy, of Portsmouth, Donald F White, Sr. and his wife, Peggy, of Virginia Beach, and Deborah J. Nagy and her husband, Rodney, of Chesapeake, and a step daughter-in-law, Dorothy H. Ketchum. Also surviving Mrs. Ketchum are her 9 grandchildren; 8 great-grandchildren and 3 great-great-grandchildren. Mrs. Ketchum was born and raised in Georgia and moved to Portsmouth where she lived for over 53 years. She was a member of Churchland Assembly of God for over 20 years. She was known as a sweet lady and exemplified the true nature of a giving spirit and gave unconditional love to her family. Her family was her pride and joy. The family wishes to express their sincere appreciation to the staff of Mayfair House where she spent her last few years comforted by the staff and her family. A graveside service will be private with Rev Larry O'Brien officiating.

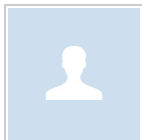
Tribute Wall



“ Donald, Doree and Debbie,

I used to run into your Mom from time to time. I always had a special fondness for her charm and attitude. I'm sorry I did not know she was at Mayfair. My mom is struggling with the same illness. I've kept a special memory of Lucille and whenever I see someone with red hair I'm joyfully reminded of her. Keep the good memories.##imported-begin##judy beale maddock##imported-end##

April 26, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ Debbie and Doree,

Please accept my deepest sympathy in the loss of your mother. It was my privilege to know her, even though it was just a short time. May God bless you and your family during this time of grief and sadness. I know you miss her so much, just as I miss my dear mother Grace.##imported-begin##Jeannette Hollowell##imported-end##

April 25, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Debbie,
I am so sorry for the loss and sadness that I know you are experiencing after losing your mother who you loved and cared for so much and who loved you so much in return. It breaks my heart to have my baby sister going through such a painful time. You were and still are such a wonderful loving and caring daughter, mother, wife , friend and sister. Please know that you are also loved just as much and I am proud to call you sister. I thank God he made you my "baby sis". I will love you forever and will always be there for you.
All My love and Sympathy,
"Sissy" Cheyenne##imported-begin##Cheyenne
McLendon##imported-end##

April 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ Debbie, I can't even begin to imagine how much pain you are in. If there is anything I can do, please just let me know. I really mean it. Heather has very fond memories of your mom taking the girls to Dunkin Donuts, watching them swim in the pool, etc... while we worked.
Take all the time you need!! You've got many friends!! Love,
Linda##imported-begin##Linda Jernigan##imported-end##

April 23, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ My thoughts and prayers are with the family##imported-begin##Denise Long Felton##imported-end##

April 23, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *She was my sweet friend for the last 20 years....she was wonderful to my daughter Lindsay Seaford....I will always remember, respect and love her....good Southern lady....best wishes to her daughter Debbie and all her family##imported-begin##Clinton Blair Seaford##imported-end##*

April 23, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *Debbie,
So very sorry to hear of the passing of Lucille. A very gracious lady who will be missed by all.*

*Love,
Tom##imported-begin##THOMAS DEASON##imported-end##*

April 22, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *To the Family, I am so sorry about your loss. IT was not to long ago that Dot Ketchum and I went to go see her and even though she did not know us when we sang some Christian hymns she knew them and was relaxed. In her youger years every time I would run into her town she always had a smile on her neatly dressed and always ask me about my family well we already missed her with what that illness has robbed her from but it can no longer hurt her she is in heaven remembering all those that she loves and now if you talk with you mama she will hear you she is restored to a perfection!!! PRAISE GOD!! I wish you all peace now. Relax much repsect and love and tears Lupe and michael##imported-begin##Lupe & Mike Sweeden##imported-end##*

April 22, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *Mama,
I will miss you so much. You exemplified the true nature of a gracious southern lady. You were a great mom and I can't wait to see you again. I'm looking forward to hearing you say my name again and giving me a kiss. Love you, Debbie##imported-begin##Debbie Nagy##imported-end##*

April 22, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dear Debbie and Family,
I am so very sorry for the loss of your most beautiful and sweet Mother. What a lovely woman who lives on in you, Debbie, her lovely legacy. I remember her as if it was just yesterday that I last saw her. I will remember you in my prayers. Love,
Debbie Barnes##imported-begin##Deborah Barnes##imported-end##*

April 22, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *The world is a lesser place with Lucille gone. I always admired her stylish and loving ways. She was so supportive of her children and went out of her way to spend time with them and foster a loving relationship. I always thought she had such a zest for life and lived life to the fullest. I am so glad I was able to see her a few years ago...beautiful as ever.*

Love to her family and especially to Debbie...my life long friend.

Love,

Pam Ellsworth

Sammamish, Wa.##imported-begin##Pam Ellsworth##imported-end##

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“ We love you grandma##imported-begin##Kimberly Boone##imported-end##

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“ I will miss you and loved you very much, from your first grand child.##imported-begin##Denise Carrow##imported-end##

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