



Delores Pope

September 11, 1936 - March 20, 2024

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Delores Pope was a resident of Remlap, Alabama near Birmingham. She passed away

peacefully at her home on March 20, 2024 at the age of 87. She was born on September 11,

1936 to the late Charles and Inez Boyles of Jackson, Alabama.

Delores graduated from the University of Alabama with a bachelor's degree in education and,

later received a master's degree in education from UAB. She worked as a librarian at Huffman

Middle School in Birmingham and helped to start a new library at the Jackson Middle school in

Jackson, Alabama where she inspired countless young people with her love of books and reading.

Delores enjoyed working in her home and garden. One of her favorite hobbies was thrifting and

collecting antiques. She loved spending time with her grandchildren and neighborhood children.

She loved photography, was an avid reader and was always learning. She was very

independent, resourceful and generous. She set an example as a hard worker and an

overcomer and, in that regard, was a mentor and inspiration to many.

Delores is survived by her daughters Kimberly Tate and Laurie Harris-Ford (Scott) of

Tennessee; her grandchildren, April Griffith (Michael), Brandon Tate (Jessica) and Amie Kerce

(Kellin) and Carly Canter (Logan) of Tennessee; her great grandchildren, Tristan Griffith, Kade

Kerce, Krosby Kerce and Mikah Kerce; her niece, Jeanie Conerly (David) and their daughter,

Katherine; and her cousin, Richard (Dick) Jacobs of South Carolina.

She will be deeply missed and forever in our memory.

There will a Celebration of Life for friends and family at the home of Delores on Sunday April 21, 2024 at 2:00 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to a charity of your choice.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

APR **21**. 2:00 PM.

Delores Home

Tribute Wall

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“ Never knew her as Deloris, I knew her as Boobie. We moved in down the street when I was 14. She had three young children, Laurie, you were just a baby and I would babysit for all you kids.at that time in her life she was a free spirit. I love to be at your house and I remember your mom at a moment’s notice, she loads us all in her station wagon and to Gulf Shores we went. I loved your young mother and have the best memories of her. I even answered the phone for Dad’s TV repair business a little. I totally grew away from your mom . I will always remember her and I wanted to be a mom just like her. You will always remember your Mother.
Patricia Gilley McKee

Patricia Gilley McKee - March 24, 2024 at 10:34 PM

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Thank you, Patricia. I know she thought the world of you.

Kim Harris Tate - January 25, 2025 at 08:03 PM

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I was a student when the new middle school in Jackson was completed so many years ago. My memories are a bit hazy, but I was a library aide. Mrs. Pope was not content to have me re-shelve books. She insisted that I would read the classic “Jane Eyre.” I protested in usual middle school age fashion, “the book is too long and probably boring. “ She would not be deterred. Upon finishing my reading assignment, I had to write a book report. From that assignment, I learned many lessons. Most importantly, that reading is a wonderful escape, among many other benefits. To this day, my favorite genre is still classic Gothic English novels. I am so thankful for the teacher that she was and the influence she had in my life so long ago.

Kathy Hudson

Kathy Hudson - August 23, 2025 at 12:49 PM