



Genevieve Greene Miles

January 16, 1924 - October 29, 2010

Genevieve Greene Miles, 86, a lifetime resident of Bloomfield, passed away October 29 at Methodist Hospital in Indianapolis.

The former Genevieve Greene was born January 16, 1924, in Bloomington, Ill. She was the daughter of Marian Rusher Greene and Dwight (Buck) Greene. Buck operated Cavins Drug Store in Bloomfield for many years. Marian (Nana) was active in the Bloomfield community.

Genevieve (Ginny) was involved in several high school organizations and wrote a school news column. She graduated with the Bloomfield Class of 1942 and attended Indiana University. She was national president of Psi Iota Xi sorority.

Ginny was a lifelong member of the United Methodist Church in Bloomfield and always took great interest in the youth. She was involved in several organizations, including the Bloomfield Argonaut Club and book clubs. Ginny served on the board of directors for the Covered Bridge Girl Scout Council for 10 years.

Ginny married William Cravens Miles on June 22, 1956, and they made their home in Bloomfield. At the time, Ginny was employed at the Greene County Welfare Department. Her husband, Bill, worked in advertising in Indianapolis and later at the Bloomfield Manufacturing Company. In 1979 Bill became owner and publisher of The Evening World and The Bloomfield News, both of which he operated until his death in 1998.

Ginny dearly loved her dogs. Her black lab, Annie, has been her constant

companion for many years. She enjoyed listening to the songs of Frank Sinatra while knitting. Over the years, she knitted hundreds of afghans, colorful blankets she loved giving to newborns and seniors through her church. She liked traveling in Europe while her daughters were stationed in the military. Having grown up during the Great Depression and World War II, she often told stories about how they were the “best of times” as family and neighbors pulled together.

Although she always claimed Bloomfield as her home, she enjoyed winter months at her homes in Ormond Beach, Fla. and later Hilton Head Island, S.C.

She is survived by twin daughters, Melinda and Melissa Miles, both of Charlotte, N.C.; one son, William (Debbie) Greene Miles of Hilton Head Island, S.C.; two grandchildren, Abigail Greene Miles and William Glass Miles; and her dog, Annie. In addition to her husband, her parents preceded her in death.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to the Will Miles Lymphatic Research Fund, a fund of the Community Foundation of the Lowcountry, P.O. Box 23019, Hilton Head Island, S.C. 29925 or online at www.cf-lowcountry.org or The United Methodist Church in Bloomfield. Funeral services will be held at the Bloomfield United Methodist Church Saturday November 6 at 1:30. Visitation will be from 4 to 8 on Friday at Jenkins Funeral Home in Bloomfield. Interment will be in Grandview Cemetery in Bloomfield. Online condolences are available to the family at www.jenkinsfuneralhomes.com

Tribute Wall

DD

“ *Melinda, Melissa and Bill...I am so very sorry for the loss of your mom and I know Thanksgiving and Christmas won't be the same for some time. Having the priviledge of spending a short time in her home, I know your mom and dad are either dancing or singing to Frank Sinatra. Ginny was so very loved...and loved, so very well back. God's Blessings*

Dan and Dianne Dooley - November 04, 2010 at 07:13 PM

JT

“ *Melinda. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at the time of loss.*
Sincerely,
Jerri Tryon & your Coca-Cola Family

Jerri Tryon - November 04, 2010 at 07:02 PM

DF

“ *Melissa, Melinda and Bill,*
I was extremely sorry to get word of your Mother's passing. We pray for your well being and share your sorrow in this difficult time.
Please be blessed.
Best,
Don Frieson

Don Frieson - November 04, 2010 at 01:00 PM

SM

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with all those grieving the loss of this lovely lady. I am so grateful to have met her. May her memory give joy and peace for many years to come.*

Shannon Murphy - November 03, 2010 at 09:33 AM

MM

“ *Melissa, Melinda and Bill, I am so sorry to hear about your mother. I remember her fondly. My thoughts and prayers are with you.*

Melody Moody - November 02, 2010 at 07:27 PM

SJ

“ *Wonderful memories of Bill and Scott going to Bloomberg during their college days sharing times and laundry with Mert and recent memories of our family sitting in her family room listening to her telling stories with Frank Sinatra playing loudly in the background. Our hearts ache for your loss and we will keep her memory alive with stories. We love you guys!*

Scott and Karen Johnson - November 02, 2010 at 06:21 PM

PO

“ *We are so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this difficult and sad time. May you find peace in God's love.*

Patricia and Jay Owen - November 02, 2010 at 05:38 PM

CF

“ *I am so very sorry about the death of your mother. It is so hard to lose your "mom". I will always remember the awesome rum cakes she used to make for us at the office. Please take care and know you are in our hearts and prayers. The Forbes Family*

Claudette Forbes - November 02, 2010 at 03:00 PM

BW

“ *Wish I could be there with you. Sorry to hear about Mom. Miss you and think about you often. I was home last weekend and would love to have seen you. Ginny was a good woman and I am glad to have known her when we lived across Mechanic St. When you and my children would play together. Remember Nita and Billy Dean Yutzzy. I know your Mother will be missed. I will never forget you. Bonita*

Bonita Jackson Weaver - November 02, 2010 at 12:53 AM

KP

“ *Melissa and family,
Our most sincere condolences. God Bless you all.
-Kelly and Sharon Polk*

Kelly Polk - November 01, 2010 at 09:22 PM

LN

“ *Melissa & Melinda,
I am so sorry to hear about your mother. I have fond memories of meeting her years ago. Thinking of you both! Much love & God's Peace, Leigh Nance*

Leigh Nance - November 01, 2010 at 07:38 PM

BH

“ *Bill, my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family upon the loss of your mother. I can see she had a full and blessed life and you can find peace in that knowledge.*

Bonnie Hunt - November 01, 2010 at 04:40 PM

RC

“ *There is comfort in friendship. Hope in prayer. Peace in love. Sharing in your sorrow with Love and Friendship. Always in our hearts..*

Ronda, Don, Donnie and Andy Carper - November 01, 2010 at 12:39 PM

BM

“ *Dear Bill & Family, My thoughts and prayers are with all of you during this very sad time. Your Mom was a dear sweet lady, and we enjoyed spending time with her every year at the Chamber Ball. May the beautiful memories comfort you. My deepest sympathy. Love, Bev*

Beverly Maloney - November 01, 2010 at 11:49 AM

JH

“ *You have my deepest sympathy and my thoughts & prayers are with you & your family. I lost my mother this past Dec. so I understand what you are going through right now. Sincerely, Jan Herriott*

Jan Herriott - November 01, 2010 at 11:45 AM

KD

“ *Melissa, Melinda and Bill -- I'm sorry for your loss. Your mother was a very lucky lady to have you three in her life. My thoughts are with you.*

Kristy Duncan - November 01, 2010 at 09:28 AM

MG

“ *Melissa, Melinda and William, My thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. I thought so much of your Mother and have so many wonderful memories of her when we were in Girl Scouts together. She was a big part of my life while I lived in Bloomfield. She was one of those people that made Bloomfield a wonderful place. She was a kind wonderful woman.*

Mary Gilbert - October 31, 2010 at 09:28 PM

DW

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with your family. May God be with you and give you peace during this difficult time. We are truly sorry for your loss.*

Don & Vivian Wease - October 31, 2010 at 09:02 PM

GS

“ *Sorry about your Mom. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.*

George and Carol Shackelford - October 31, 2010 at 01:53 PM

ME

“ *We are thinking about you during this difficult time and sending our deepest condolences.*

Mark & Shari Ehly - October 31, 2010 at 12:53 AM

DT

“ On behalf of the Session and congregation of the First Presbyterian Church of Bloomfield, we extend our thoughts and prayers to the family of Mrs. Miles knowing that the light of the resurrection is upon her. She was a long time friend of this congregation and donor of the memorial site that marks our church's former location in Bloomfield. Mrs. Miles will be deeply missed by the entire community. May the peace of Christ abide with her and the family.

Dr. Murray Joseph Thompson - October 30, 2010 at 04:22 PM