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Rita "Mama Rita" Mae Clark Brittain

June 4, 1939 - March 29, 2023

Rita "Mama Rita" Mae Clark Brittain passed away Wednesday, March 29, 2023.

Born June 4, 1939, she was the middle child of the late Robert Watkins Clark and Julia Agnes Poteet Clark. She was a member of Amherst Baptist Church.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Milton Beckworth Brittain; sister, Greta Deane Clark Waters; and special aunt, Shirley Poteet Murdoch.

Those left to cherish her memory include her daughters and sons-in-law, Sharon Jablonski (Phil), Sheila Kincaid (Randy), and Shannon Mooring (Dr. Sean); grandchildren, Cayla Jablonski Bousaba (Dr. Joseph "Joe"), Theodore "Ted" Joshua Jablonski, Grant Clark Mooring, and Andrew Davis Mooring; great granddaughter, Charley Mae Bousaba; great grandson, Elias "Eli" Beckworth Bousaba; and brother, Kenneth Norman Clark (Frances).

The graveside service will be held at 11 a.m., Saturday, April 1, 2023 at Burke Memorial Park with Rev. Thomas Herman officiating.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Amorem Hospice, 902 Kirkwood Street, NW, Lenoir, NC 28645.

Sossoman Funeral Home and Crematory Center is assisting the family with the arrangements.

Tribute Wall

Sharon, Sheila, Shannon and Families, We are so sad to hear of the passing of Rita. What an amazing person and what a remarkable life! She was a wonderful sister-in-law and Aunt and we have always felt so lucky to have such a wonderful extended family! We will never forget all our time together in NC, especially that Brittain reunion that you hosted for all!! Our prayers are with you as you celebrate her life and mourn her passing. Our love to all the family.

–Emily, Kirk, Kim and Kathy



One of my favorite memories of mama Rita was at Edisto Beach. Her and Sharon came down with my mother Ruby. We went out dancing at Whaleys and had a ball. May she rest in peace.

–Sandy and Mark Wilson



So incredibly sorry for your loss. “Sis” was a special resident whom I loved dearly, there was never a dull moment while being in her presence. Her laugh and smile always warmed the room and she will continue to be one of the brightest souls I’ve ever met. It was an honor to take care of her, and I will always love her from down here. Thoughts and prayers.

–Annalee and Seth



Rest in peace, mama Rita. I will miss your beautiful face and our ice cream dates.

—Rebecca



Sheila and Family, I am so very sorry for the loss of your mother. You are in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.

—Nicole Biggs

So sorry to hear this will keep you in my prayers

—Doug beam

Oh my heart! Sweet Aunt Rita gets the most special Easter this year! Dear cousins and family, please know you will all be in my thoughts and prayers. I'll bring Dad to the funeral Saturday. I know she will be missed by each of you in different ways, but I am thankful her suffering is over. Sending my love and condolences to all of you. See you Saturday

—Christy Pittman

Dear Sharon and family, My deepest condolences on the passing of your mother. May she rest in peace as you all continue to love her in a new and everlasting way. Mary Lou Sossoman

—Mary Lou Sossoman

Hello Brittain , Jablonski,Moore,Kincaid families: My sincerest condolences to

one and all. I hope to attend the service if I can hitch a ride . God bless each of you I as I know you all will sorely miss her as well as I.

—Bobby B Brittain