



## MARTHA FAYE GARDNER

May 8, 1931 - February 26, 2017

Martha Faye Gardner, 85, of Birmingham, Alabama passed away on February 26, 2017 surrounded by her family and friends. She is preceded in death by her parents Tressa Allen Garner and Edward Gray Garner, Sr., her husband Robert Edward Gardner, Jr. (Bob), her daughter Barbara Anne Gardner and her brother Edward Gray Garner, Jr.(Buddy).

Known best as Faye, she was born on May 8, 1931, and grew into a beautiful young woman who caught the eye of Bob Gardner whose charm and smile won her hand in marriage. Faye enjoyed 61 years of marriage with Bob, raising three children and innumerable pets. An active member of Wylam Presbyterian Church, Faye sang in the choir and was involved in many church activities. She retired from the University of Alabama at Birmingham after 10 dedicated years of service. Faye and Bob were the architects of a home on Smith Lake which now serves as a gathering place for family and friends and continues to foster the love and hard-work that they invested over their lives. Faye is best known for her infectious laugh and heartwarming smile, beautiful white hair, a talent for bargain shopping, raisin pie and as the mastermind of the best and largest Christmas stockings ever given.

She is survived by her two children Robert Edward Gardner, III (Karyl) and Janet Lynn Gardner Scott, four grandchildren Ryan Scott (Melissa), Emily Scott, Kasey Gardner and Robert Edward Gardner, IV and great-grandchild Elijah Scott, her sisters Barbara Orr and Carolyn Bullard (Walt) and close family friends John, Billie Jean, Brooklyn and Chace Spears and a large

extended family.

The visitation will be from 12:30 PM until 2:00 PM, Thursday, March 2, 2017, at Peoples Chapel Funeral Home. The funeral service will be at 2:00 PM at the Funeral Home. Burial will follow at Oakland Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers the family suggests donations to the UAB Center for Palliative and Supportive Care.

# Tribute Wall

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“ Mrs. Faye, You have always been the sweetest caring person to me and I have truly been blessed to share time with you at the beauty shop. You always made me feel special. I love you and always! I will see you again one day in heaven precious woman.

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**Stacia Keplinger Cox** - February 28, 2017 at 01:57 PM

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“ Wonderful memories of our families spending time at lake and river together. Your mother was always so happy to see me at the shop and even happier if mother was with me. She will be missed. Thoughts and prayers to your family. ?? Jackie Milazzo

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**Jackie Milazzo** - February 28, 2017 at 01:36 PM

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“ Alice and I are thinking about you and share in your grief.

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**Johnny Ozier** - February 28, 2017 at 01:23 PM