



Phyllis G. Reed Darling

March 25, 1949 - October 29, 2024

Phyllis G. Reed Darling, 75, of Alma, Arkansas, moved into the presence of Jesus on Tuesday, October 29, 2024, in Alma. She was born March 25, 1949, in Conway, Arkansas, to James Everett and Winnie Bernice Koone Reed. She was preceded in death by her parents; stepfather, Leon Hill; and sister, Ruby Miller.

She was a graduate of Conway High School and UCA where she was in the Alpha Sigma Tau Sorority. Phyllis retired in 2014 as an IT Officer for Bank OZK. In 1972, Phyllis and Ted Darling were united in marriage as they began a life together serving Baptist Churches while he served on staff and pastored for over 50 years. As a pastor's wife, she unselfishly gave of herself in so many capacities. She was church pianist, church organist, Sunday School teacher, counselor, Precept Bible facilitator, choir director, choir member, and Women's Ministry leader and speaker. She served with the Arkansas Baptist Disaster Relief in Incident Command as Administrator and sang with the ABSC Master's Singers.

After her love for Christ, she immensely loved her family. She was a godly model for her daughters and grandchildren. Phyllis enjoyed devoting time to them and investing in them. Seldom did she ever miss an event in their lives.

Phyllis is survived by her husband of 52 years, Ted Darling of Alma; two daughters, Holly McCormick and husband Tom of Ozark, and Courtney

Satterfield and husband Neal of Alma; three sisters, Jean Lybarger and husband Sonny of Conway, Sue Spradlin and husband Jerrell of Vilonia, Ann Hastings and husband John of Clinton; four grandchildren, Katelyn Kirkpatrick of Mulberry, Abigail McCormick of Ozark, and Rylee and Cooper Satterfield of Alma.

Open viewing will be from 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. November 1, 2024, at Shaffer Funeral Home, 2315 W. Commercial in Ozark. Family will visit with friends Friday, November 1, 2024, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Ozark First Baptist Church Activity Center.

Funeral service will be held at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, November 2, 2024, at First Baptist Church of Ozark with Pastors Brent Williams, Terrell Romberg, and Justin Murphy officiating with burial at Highland Cemetery under the direction of Shaffer Funeral Home.

Pallbearers will be Ed Darling, Jimmie Darling, Nathan Kirkpatrick, Tommy McCormick, Wyatt Lowrey, Rodney Orr, Cooper Satterfield and Neal Satterfield. Honorary pallbearers will be Eagle Crest Golf Course Friends and Arkansas Baptist Disaster Relief Volunteers.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to The Phyllis Darling Memorial and Ted Darling Scholarship, % Arkansas Baptist Foundation, 10 Remington Drive, Little Rock, AR. 72204 Or Arkansas Baptist Disaster Relief, 10 Remington Drive, Little Rock, AR. 72204

To leave an online memorial visit www.shafferfuneralhomeweb.com

Cemetery Details

Highland Cemetery

Highway 64 West
Ozark, AR 72949

Previous Events

Open viewing-visitation

NOV 1. 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Shaffer Funeral Home
2315 West Commercial Street
PO Box 680
Ozark, AR 72949
(479) 667-4147
shafferfuneralhome@gmail.com

Friends & Family Visit

NOV 1. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

First Baptist Church Activity Center
304 W. Market Street
Ozark, AR 72949

Mrs. Darling will remain at Shaffer Funeral Home during this time.

Funeral Service

NOV 2. 10:00 AM (CT)

First Baptist Church
304 West Market Street
Ozark, AR 72949

Burial

NOV 2 (CT)

Highland Cemetery
Highway 64 West
Ozark, AR 72949

Tribute Wall

AM

“ Annie Coleen Mohr sent a virtual gift in memory of Phyllis Darling



Annie Coleen Mohr - November 11, 2024 at 07:46 AM

TC

“ I worked with Phyllis at McCain Law Firm in the late '90s. She was a wonderful person -- gentle and kind to everyone she encountered I was so sorry to hear of her passing, and wanted to express my condolences to her family.

Tish Pennington Chiomento - November 06, 2024 at 04:50 PM

TI

“ I moved to Conway my senior year in high school, and Phyllis became my friend. I remember that she was the beauty review winner. She was a lovely person.

Toran Isom - November 05, 2024 at 09:47 AM

AC

“ Ted, Holly, Courtney and Family,

Phyllis was truly one of the sweetest, most amazing women I've ever known. The Lord gives us people in life to look up to and set a good example, she was one of them. My thoughts and prayers are with you all. Sending love and hugs 💕💕

Andrea Crothers - November 02, 2024 at 12:14 PM

VK

“ *Phyllis was A great Role Model in many ways. She not only was beautiful, compassionate, talented, godly leader, and teacher. She was a dear friend whose smile could light up a room. Phyllis was the first person I called when I was diagnosed with breast cancer. She was instrumental in both of my daughter’s weddings. Phyllis will hold a special place in my heart Until we meet again*

Ted, Holly, Courtney and family I have and will continue to pray for you. Phyllis touch so many lives, in so many ways, and was such a blessing to have known her and call her. My sister in Christ may God's Love and your faith strengthen you during this time.



Vicki King - November 02, 2024 at 07:35 AM

DR

“ *Phyllis was always so loving and kind to me. She will be missed greatly. Love her.*

Dianne Ross - November 01, 2024 at 08:58 PM

MS

“ *Phyllis was a special person - kind, thoughtful, loving, compassionate, generous, selfless, encouraging, and godly - just to name a few of her wonderful qualities. She was beautiful inside and out, and I feel blessed to have known her. I'm very sorry for your loss.*

Melissa Satterfield - November 01, 2024 at 07:49 PM

VC

“ Ted & Family,

J. R & I were truly Blessed to have become friends with Phyllis. She was a Beautiful Person inside & Out and Truly Loved the Lord. I have missed her playing piano on Wednesday nights for our 4PM service. I'm saddened that she won't be here to play anymore but I'm rejoicing she is Not in Pain & Suffering anymore but now Praising our Savior that she served for so many years. Please know all of you are in our Thoughts and prayers. J.R & Venita Crowson

Venita Crowson - November 01, 2024 at 04:30 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Phyllis G. Reed Darling.



October 31, 2024 at 10:05 PM

MC

“ Ted and family, Phyllis was a wonderful Christian lady and such a sweet friend. I am blessed to have known her. I will miss her so much, but I am so happy to know that she is no longer suffering. She has made it home and will forever be with Jesus. You are in my prayers. Marlo Crowson

Marlo Crowson - October 31, 2024 at 04:24 PM

SH

“ With heartfelt sympathy for the entire family. She ran the race, she fought the good fight.

Sherry D House-Jones - October 31, 2024 at 03:46 PM