



## Shirley Martin Kimrey

May 19, 1935 - October 5, 2023

Shirley "MeMa" Kimrey, 88, died October 5, 2023 in her home surrounded by her family.

Funeral services will be held Sunday at 3 PM at Central Baptist Church officiated by Rev. Tim Coker. Interment will be Monday at 11 AM at Chatham Hill Cemetery in Cheraw.

The family will receive friends immediately following the service in the church fellowship hall and at all other times at Sharon's home.

She loved children and poured many years of her life into helping raise some of Darlington's finest at Little Learners Daycare. The children always ran to her first for a hug and a fist full of "Smarties!"

She was a faithful member of Central Baptist Church where she continued her tradition of passing out candy to young and old alike. Mema was an avid reader and enjoyed attending Bible studies to help her grow in her Christian walk.

She loved the Lord, and she loved her church family and was richly blessed to be loved by them!

We can't end this until we talk about one more of her greatest joys, those great-grandchildren! We won't post pictures because we know you've already seen them!

She was a loving mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister, and friend, and will be dearly missed!

Mema leaves behind two daughters, Jackie Kimrey, Sharon Rhodes (Randy),

and a son, Stephen Kimrey, all of Darlington; a brother, Bill Martin (Ruby) of Marion, North Carolina; grandchildren, Lyndsey Dickson (Jimmy) of Fort Mill, South Carolina; Randon Rhodes (Caroline) of Savannah, Georgia; great-grandchildren, Rhodes, Bennett, and Smith Dickson, and Ann, Charles, and Jack Rhodes, along with many loving nieces and nephews.

Mema was preceded in death by her husband, Jack W. Kimrey; her son, Butch Kimrey; and grandchildren, Tabitha Kimrey and Heather Kimrey.

The Directors of Kistler Hardee Funeral Home are honored to be serving the Kimrey family.

# Tribute Wall

NS

“ Sharon, both Aaron and Ethan remember sweet MeMa at Little Learners - she was such a kind and loving woman. We are so blessed that she was a part of our lives - praying for you and your family. Nina, Michael, Aaron & Ethan Stone

Nina Stone - October 12, 2023 at 09:17 AM

CB

“ I loved Shirley. Don't know if I would have made it at Wilson Clinic without her. She taught me so much! Praying for all of the family



Carol Britt - October 11, 2023 at 03:54 PM

TR

“ TobieAnn Reynolds lit a candle in memory of Shirley Martin Kimrey



TobieAnn Reynolds - October 10, 2023 at 03:15 PM

SS

“ Sparkle Shoemake lit a candle in memory of Shirley Martin Kimrey



Sparkle Shoemake - October 09, 2023 at 09:37 AM

CD

“ To the Family & Friends of Mrs. Shirley "MEMA",  
May GOD Grant you Grace. We are so sorry to learn of your loss  
.We knew her at CBC but really learned to know her & Love her  
even more when we were together in the Grace Sunday School  
Class. She was Faithful to GOD, Family, and friends, & very kind to  
ALL she encountered. She not only studied the Bible & Bible  
lessons, she lived them.

GODBLESS

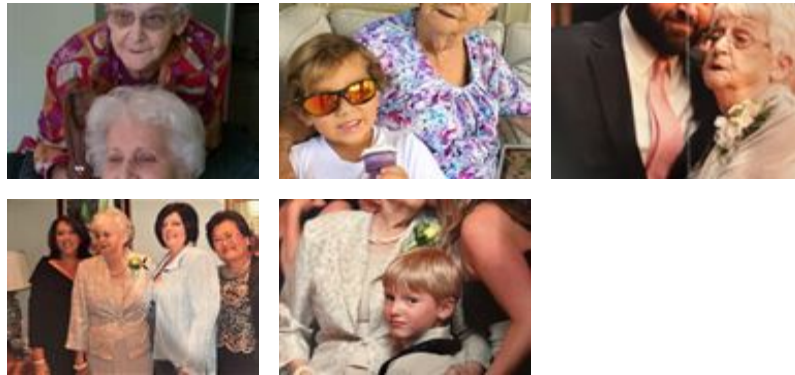
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carolyn & ed davis - October 08, 2023 at 12:13 PM



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Kistler-Hardee Funeral Home - October 08, 2023 at 11:53 AM

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“ Connie Lewis lit a candle in memory of  
Shirley Martin Kimrey



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Connie Lewis - October 08, 2023 at 09:31 AM

CA

“ I am sure she has a star in her crown for every child that she loved a Little Learners! She had such a big heart and made a tremendous impact on so many through the years. She was a blessing! Prayers to each of you during this sad time. ❤️

Cindy Abernathy - October 07, 2023 at 08:38 PM

SW

“ To Mema's family, all of you know how much your mother was loved. She was a joy to be around. She had a fantastic sense of humor and such a loving outlook in life. Her friends and family will remember her until they are called to join her. I don't know what we will do without her, I just know I will miss her!! Love, Sandra Whisnant

Sandra Whisnant - October 07, 2023 at 08:24 PM

LK

“ Lynn Kimrey lit a candle in memory of Shirley Martin Kimrey



Lynn Kimrey - October 07, 2023 at 08:20 PM

YM

“ Oh Sharon, I am so sorry to see the passing of your mother. I have many fond memories of the good times we had at your home as teenagers.

Yana K. Mathis - October 07, 2023 at 01:51 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Shirley Martin Kimrey.*



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October 07, 2023 at 10:42 AM



“ *So very sorry to hear of MeMa's passing but I know she is rejoicing with Tabitha and the rest of her loved ones who have gone on before. She will surely be missed. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.*



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**Lisa G. Munn** - October 07, 2023 at 09:29 AM



“ *Steve, I'm so sorry to read this about your Mom, our prayers and thoughts are with you and your family.*  
*Phoebe*



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**Danny and Phoebe Stokes** - October 07, 2023 at 09:28 AM



“ *Shirley "MeMa" was one of the strongest women I have ever had the pleasure of meeting . She was my Mother n love. She had a heart of Gold. When we lost our babies she was my inspiration to keep going. I will miss her. But I know I will see her again. ❤️ Praying for all of her family 🙏*



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**Sonya Gandy** - October 07, 2023 at 03:03 AM