



## Myrnita B. Grantham

February 8, 2012

Myrnita B. Grantham, 73, of Cape Girardeau, MO, died peacefully Wednesday, February 08, 2012 at Southeast Missouri Hospital in Cape Girardeau, MO. She was born Monday, October 10, 1938 in Marks, MS to the late Burnice and Martha Juanita (Perkins) Buckner. She married Charles Scott Grantham, Jr. on January 20, 1957. He preceded her in death on February 11, 1998. Myrnita graduated from Southeast Missouri State University with a Bachelor's and Master's degree in secondary education. She taught for 32 1/2 years, 31 of those years being at Louis J. Shultz School in Cape Girardeau, MO. She was remembered fondly by many of her former students. She retired in May, 1998. Myrnita was a member of Grace United Methodist Church. She was also a member of ADK; Cape Rock Chapter #60, OES, where she was Past Matron; and had served as Bethel Guardian to Bethel #51, Cape Girardeau, IOJD. She was preceded in death by a brother, Robert Nelson Buckner. She is survived by her sisters, Lilly Brown (Charles), Martha Jo Hudson (Bobby) and Sandy Spencer (Billie Joe), all of Marks, MS; a brother, Gene Buckner (Donna) of Ames, IA; daughters, Cheryl Grantham of Germantown, MD and Myrnita K. Smith of Jackson, MO; granddaughters, Jennifer and Michelle Smith of Cape Girardeau, MO; 13 nieces and nephews; numerous great nieces and nephews. Visitation will be Friday, February 10, 2012 from 4:00 to 8:00pm at Ford and Sons Funeral Home, 1001 N. Mt. Auburn Rd., Cape Girardeau, MO 63701. Funeral service will be Saturday, February 11, 2012 at 11:00 a.m. with Rev. Tom Sullenger officiating.

Entombment will follow at Cape County Memorial Park. Memorial contributions may be given to the American Cancer Society or the International Order of Job's Daughters.

# Tribute Wall

BR

“ My deepest sympathy goes out to the family of Myrnita. I treasure all of the memories I have of her. We were classmates for twelve years and members of the same church. It was great growing up in a small town and sharing so many things together. We were able to keep in touch through class reunions and with her sisters that live in Marks. Cheryl, you and Nita Kay, Jenny and Michelle were the light of her life. I could tell by the way she always talked about you. You have a lot of wonderful memories and my prayers go out to you and your family. Betty Reid

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**Betty P. and Leroy Reid** - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ Mrs. Grantham was an amazing teacher. She was such a caring and supportive person. Running into her through the years and sharing how life has changed since 7th grade was also great. She will be greatly missed. Sympathies, love, prayers to the family.

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**Elizabeth Sykes and Sharron Hawkins (Hooker)** - December 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DR

“ Cheryl, I want to send you our sympathy for your Mother's passing. I have so many great memories of our years in Job's Daughters, and you and your family were a big part of those memories. Our thoughts and prayers are with you, and we know Gods love will sustain you. Dotta

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**Dotta Shell Roberts** - November 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

PH

“ To Myrnita's family: Please accept my deepest sympathy at this time, in the loss of your mother and grandmother and sister. I wish I could be there for the service tomorrow, but I am a long way away in Atlanta. I see dear Myrnita's photo here, and it brings back so many wonderful memories of those days--and years--we spent together on Pacific Street, teaching next door to each other up on the third floor of Schultz. It was quite the "family" we had there. I always look back and say I taught at a Christian public school. Myrnita was one of the main leaders there who set the true MSTA professional model for the rest of us to follow. She loved her subject (we were a team--math for her and English for me) and all of the students who came through her room every year. She always loved working with the girls in her Eastern Star group as well. But Scott and her family--now that was her greatest joy. All of us remember those years so fondly and were made better by knowing and working with Myrnita. I am so sad to lose my longtime friend. All of you are in my prayers.

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**Pat (and Bill) Heckert** - October 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LH

“ We are sorry that we are unable to attend the visitation or funeral. Aunt Myrnita was a wonderful and caring person. Cheryl and Nita Kay know that your mother loved you very much. Jenny and Michelle your grandmother loved you with all her heart. She loved to tell us stories about you all when she visited the family in Marks. She will be missed very much. Our prayers are with you all during this difficult time. Love Lisha & Bob

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**Lisha and Bobby Hudson** - October 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

WB

“ *Myrnita and Cheryl, I am so sorry to hear that your mother passed. Please know that our prayers are with you and your family in your hour grief. She was a great friend to my son and to me and we will miss her.*

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**Willetta Brookins** - October 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MD

“ *I will truly miss you! You were a very nice person and i enjoyed walking over and speaking to you. Thank you for everything you have done for me and my family!!! will always be with me and my family we were neighbors. love u bunches xoxoxo*

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**Michelle Desrosiers** - October 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ *I was so sorry to learn of Myrnita's passing. I was fortunate to have worked with her at LJ Schultz School several years ago and could always count on her to be of assistance if it was needed. She was well thought of and respected by students and co-workers alike. I will not be able to attend the visitation or the funeral, but my thoughts and prayers go out to the family.*

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**Linda Farrar** - October 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ \_\_\_\_\_ *Those we love remain with us for love itself lives on, and cherished memories never fade because a loved one's gone. Those we love can never be more than a thought apart, for as long as there is memory, they'll live on in the heart.* \_\_\_\_\_

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September 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ My deepest sympathy goes out to the family. Mom Grantham was someone who touched me deeply. I remember when I first joined Job's Daughters and she said no matter what we are a family. I left for a while and then when I returned for good in 1991, I showed up for the Job's Daughters meeting. She looked at me and said you know what you need to do, go do it. Next thing I knew I was in a robe. I remember her smile from ear to ear. Mom Grantham, you always knew when I needed a special hug and you were always there. You will be greatly missed.

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**Virginia Eckart (Mason)** - September 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM