



## Nell G. Bullard

October 21, 1931 - August 9, 2010

Nell Garrell Bullard of Salisbury died peacefully at her home Monday, August 9, anticipating a joyful reunion with her beloved husband, Earl, who died in 1997.

A native of Columbus County, NC, Nell was born Oct. 21, 1931, to Carson L. and Grace Butler Garrell. She graduated from Tabor City High School, attended Meredith College, and graduated in 1954 from Queen's College in Charlotte with a degree in home economics.

She married Madison Earl Bullard on June 26, 1952, and her family and church were her first loves. A homemaker at heart, she was a devoted wife, mother and grandmother. Time spent with her family, serving them special meals, was her greatest joy.

A longtime Baptist, Nell was ordained as a deacon at First Baptist Church in Salisbury, where she taught a couples Sunday school class and served on numerous committees, including the Pastor Search Committee in 1977. She joined First Presbyterian Church in Salisbury in 1998, was ordained to the Session, and remained active in the life of the congregation until her final illness.

Nell was also active in community organizations, serving as vice president of

the citywide PTA, president of the Meredith College Rowan County Alumnae Association and the Salisbury Needlework Guild, Secretary of Rowan Regional Hospital Auxiliary Board, and Chairman of Rowan Regional Foundation Charity Ball. She was a member of the Tea and Topics and Serendipity book clubs.

Survivors include her son and daughter-in-law, Matt and Anne Bullard of Raleigh; her daughter and son-in-law, Garrell and Lee Keesler of Charlotte; grandchildren Catherine and Madison Bullard and Andrew and Anne Chambers Keesler; and her sister, Louise Garrell Murray of Clarendon, N.C. She was predeceased by her husband and by her brother, Lt. Col. Maxwell Garrell.

A memorial service is planned for 1 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 11 at First Presbyterian Church, 308 W. Fisher St., Salisbury, NC. Memorials may be directed to First Presbyterian or Hospice of Rowan County. The family will receive friends at Nell's home from 4 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 10.

# Tribute Wall



“ Your Mom will always hold a special place in my heart. I remember her interest in all of us as teens, and the open door and listening ear for us. She was a very wonderfl person - I know you will all miss her.

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“ Garrell and Lee, Ann and I are thinking about you at this difficult time. Our prayers are with you both.

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