



Myrl Chafin Hansard

February 7, 1918 - April 26, 2013

Mrs. Myrl Chafin Hansard, 95, went to sleep on Friday, April 26, 2013, and awoke in the arms of the One she had spent a lifetime pursuing, her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Mrs. Hansard was born on Feb. 7, 1918, in McDonough, GA, to Samuel C. and Ruth Downs Chafin. She received her BA in Greek from Agnes Scott, and thereafter met and married the love of her life, Vic Hansard. They had 8 children, and after rearing her children, she returned to school to receive a Master's degree in Library Science from Georgia State and a Master's Degree in English from Emory. In 1966, she opened the Alpharetta City Library and then went to work at the Milton High School library in 1970, where she was a pioneer in audio visual equipment. In 1992, the media center at MHS was named the Myrl Hansard Media Center in her honor. Aside from being a devoted wife for 63 years, she was a devoted mother, grandmother, great grandmother, and friend. She leveraged her interest in civic affairs by becoming the first woman council person in the city of Alpharetta. As an active member of Alpharetta First United Methodist Church, she continued to teach her beloved Phidelis Class until the week before experiencing a massive stroke, even though she suffered from debilitating macular degeneration and usually memorized her lesson with the aid of a reader. To all who knew her, she was the essence of beauty, intelligence, humility, compassion, spirit, and grace. She was preceded in death by her husband, sister, Hester Martin, brother, Cecil Chafin, son, Vic Hansard, Jr., granddaughter, Kathryn Meyer, and grandson, Vic Hansard III. She is survived by daughters and son in law

Bonnye Woodlief of Marietta, Marnee Hansard of Atlanta, Hollye and John Letourneau of Tucker, sons and daughter in law, Kit and Cheryl Hansard of Fishers, IN, Kerry Hansard of Jonesboro, Wade and Kathy Hansard of Roswell, 10 grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren. The Celebration of Life service will be 5/1/2013, 10:30 am at the Alpharetta First United Methodist Church, N. Main St., Alpharetta, GA 770-475-5576. Dr. Don Martin, Dr. Hal Brady, Dr. Joe Bowen, and Rev. Jonathan Woodlief will be officiating. The family will receive friends Tuesday evening from 6:00-8:00 in the fellowship hall at the Methodist Church. In the spirit of giving in which Myrl lived, she continued after death by donating her body to Emory School of Medicine. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the American Cancer Society or the Alpharetta First United Methodist Church.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 30. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Alpharetta First United Methodist Church
69 North Main Street
Alpharetta, GA

Service

MAY 1. 10:30 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Myrl Chafin Hansard*

October 08, 2022 at 11:37 AM



“ *So sorry to hear of Myrl's death. Growing up on Canton Street holds many good memories. The Mauldin family considered all of you to be our very good friends. Mrs. Hansard was good to my mother in her illness. She was truly a lovely lady and will be missed.##imported-begin##Alice (Mauldin) Hackney##imported-end##*

May 02, 2013 at 05:13 PM



“ *It is a rare privilege that in our walk through this world, some of us get to meet people, both men or women, who have the character and weightiness that Myrl possessed. Many of us rightly adored her and are greatly richer people for having been touched by her in one of her many ways of touching people -- either with her voice, her beauty, her fragrance or numerous other ways.##imported-begin##Richard Owens##imported-end##*

April 30, 2013 at 12:00 PM



“ *Marnee*
I am so sorry to hear of your Mom's passing. My mom always loved her and so did I. My thought and prayer will be with you and your family at this time of loss.##imported-begin##Steve Born##imported-end##

April 30, 2013 at 07:10 AM