



## Marjorie Elena Etheridge Kirk

March 14, 1921 - February 19, 2010

Marjorie Elena Etheridge Kirk, of Morrilton, died Friday, February 19, 2010, following a brief illness. She was born March 14, 1921. A native of Conway and long time resident of Morrilton, Mrs. Kirk is preceded in death by her husband of 56 years, Thurston S. Kirk, her son, Stephen Edgar Kirk, her parents Jubal Early and Ina Clements Etheridge and her brothers, Stanley Clark Etheridge and Jubal Early Etheridge, Jr. She is survived by her son James Thurston Kirk of Phoenix, Arizona, her daughter and son-in-law, Dianna and David Thayer of Hot Springs, and her five grandchildren: John L. Thayer of California, James L. Thayer of Maryland, Amanda Kirk of Georgia, Payton Kirk Taber and Kyle of Morrilton, and Morgan Kirk of Conway, and her great-granddaughter, Marlee Taber of Morrilton. She is also survived by her sisters-in-law, Lois Etheridge of North Little Rock and Margaret Kirk of Texas. Mrs. Kirk attended the Arkansas State Teacher's College Training School through eighth grade then graduated from Conway High in 1937. She completed degrees at Central College, Arkansas State Teacher's College and the University of Arkansas. Her long teaching career included Arkansas schools in England, Pleasant Plains, Gould and for 25 years in Morrilton. In addition to an active professional life, which was secondary to raising her three children and caring for her own mother, Mrs. Kirk was an active member of First Baptist Church, Morrilton, serving in the choir and as president of the VSP seniors. She also served as president of a number of Morrilton community groups, including Literary Coterie, Delta Kappa Gamma sorority,

Northside PTA, and Conway County Retired Teachers.

Funeral services will be held at First Baptist Church, Morrilton, at 2:00 p.m. on Monday, February 22. A family visitation hour will be held on Sunday February 21, from 3:00-5:00 p.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at Elmwood Cemetery by Harris Funeral Home of Morrilton. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorials to Conway County Library in Morrilton or the Caring Place for Alzheimer's Care in Hot Springs.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Marjorie Elena Etheridge Kirk*

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January 30, 2023 at 02:08 AM



“ *Dianna, My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Your mom was a very sweet and lovely person. You will miss her but your memories of her will make you smile.*

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June 29, 2018 at 11:08 PM



“ *Our mother, Margaret Lou Hugon Dobbins, attended Central College for Girls with Marjorie and enjoyed a lifetime friendship with her. When Thurston was working at the Pines Vocational Technical School in Pine Bluff they were able to visit with each other. We just wanted to let you know what a wonderful friend she was to our mother and we are very sorry for your loss. She was a wonderful person.*  
*Our mother passed away in July of 2007 and we still miss her very much.*

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June 29, 2018 at 11:08 PM



“ *Dianna, I was so sorry to learn about the loss of your mother. I know this is a difficult time and you are in my prayers. I was delighted to see that you are in Hot Springs. I am in Little Rock. We should get together and compare stories. God Bless....Phyliss*

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February 26, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *Marjorie was a dear friend and colleague. She contributed much to Morrilton schools and community. I am glad that I know both Marjorie and Thurston and regret that I was unable to attend her memorial services. My condolences to the family, especially Dianna, Morgan, and Payton. May you carry on the fine tradition of Marjorie and Thurston.*

*Anne Crofoot Queen*

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February 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *Our deepest sympathies are extended to you, Dianna, as well as David, Jamie, John, Morgan, and all the rest of your family. What a beautiful tribute to a beautiful woman the video was. I am so very happy that I was able to meet with Margie before she moved to Arkansas. She truly was a beautiful person and very, very warm and gentle. She will be missed but you will have fond memories forever. You are in our thoughts and prayers.*

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February 21, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with your family.*

*May God bring you peace and comfort.*

*Tommy and Becky Huett*

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February 21, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ We join you in our regrets at the passing of our dear relative, Marjorie. We shall all miss her cheerful smile and lovely personality. Some of our fondest visits were when Morjorie, Clark and Jubal came to see the Texas relatives. It was equally pleassnt to visit them in Morrilton and Conway. Verna Etheridge Moon joins me in sending  
Our love and condolences to you all.

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February 21, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ Memories of Mr and Mrs Kirk and family reach back to the 50's in Pleasant Plains, AR. While we lost contact, the wonderful memories of the family and their influence never faded for me and my siblings. Our sympathies are extended to surviving family.

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February 21, 2010 at 12:00 AM