



## Mrs. Gladys L. Grate

January 1, 2022

Gladys Louise Shipman Grate was born on March 4, 1932 in Loris, South Carolina. She was the youngest of 2 children born to the late William E. Shipman and Mary Booth Shipman.

God saw that she had served her purpose and had grown weary so He called her to rest on January 1, 2022 at the home of her daughter in Columbia, SC.

Gladys grew up working in tobacco fields and she obtained her education in Horry County Segregated School System. After completing school, she married the love of her life Mr. Joe Grate who preceded her in death and to this union three children were born Joseph Anthony Grate, who died at birth, Jonathan Kelvin Grate and Jolanda Anita Grate Sulton.

While married and raising her family, she began working in the Horry County Public School System as a Teacher's Aide for over 20 years until retiring from Daisy Elementary School.

At an early age, she joined Mt. Rona Missionary Baptist Church where she served on the Missionary Society and was the Mother of the church. She was a faithful member and was a no nonsense type of lady that believed in being decent and in order at all times.

Gladys leaves to cherish her precious memories a son Jonathan Kelvin

(Delores) Grate, Charleston, SC, a daughter Jolanda Anita Grate (Daryl) Sulton Columbia, SC.; six grandchildren Tremaine Antoine Grate, Terrell Keyon Grate, Alisha Shavaun Grate, Ashley Nicole Grate all of Charleston, SC, SPC Anwar (Jenna) Sulton of Ft. Huachuca, Arizona, and Yasmin Sanaa Sulton of Columbia SC. She had three step grandchildren Octavia Shawnta (Randy) McComb, Shawn (Antiqua) Gadsden, and Sharell La'Say Gadsden of Charleston, SC. She had eleven great grandchildren; two surviving sisters; Linda Brown of Tabor City, NC and Shirley Gregg of Charlotte, NC.; sisters-in-law Christine Smith, Rosa (Wendell) Boone of Longs, SC, Lucille Wilson of Allsbrook, SC, Betty Wilson of Michigan and Sharon Wilson of New York; two surviving brothers-in-law David (Beverly) Wilson of Conway, SC and Edward Wilson of Longs, SC, a very special friend Julia Faye Carter and a host of nieces, nephews, other family and friends.

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# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

JAN 6. 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Palmer Memorial Chapel - Columbia  
1200 Fontaine Place  
Columbia, SC 29223  
(803) 786-6300  
palmermemorialchapel@gmail.com  
<https://www.palmermemorialchapel.com>

## Graveside Service

JAN 7. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Mt. Rona Cemetery  
Highway #9 Bypass Flag Patch Rd  
Loris, SC 29569

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Gladys L. Grate*

October 04, 2023 at 11:33 AM



“ *Mrs Grate was a beautiful and sweet person. She had been my Grandma Magaline friend for many years. She was my grandma neighbor so I would see her often when I came up to see my grandma. She would be hanging out or taking in clothes from the clothes line. The Graham family will truly miss her. We will miss her smile and the love she had for us. Barbara, Tiffany, Kelsey, Jacolby and Kim.*

**The Graham Family** - January 07, 2022 at 07:13 AM



“ *The Graham Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Gladys L. Grate*



**The Graham Family** - January 06, 2022 at 08:54 PM



“ *Tammy Robinson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Gladys L. Grate*



**Tammy Robinson** - January 06, 2022 at 03:43 PM

MS

“ Mickey Kinard and Vicki Sells purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mrs. Gladys L. Grate.



Mickey Kinard and Vicki Sells - January 06, 2022 at 12:23 PM



“ 4 files added to the album Memories Album



Palmer Memorial Chapel - January 06, 2022 at 09:41 AM



“ Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Mrs. Gladys L. Grate.



January 05, 2022 at 06:02 PM

EH

“ Ernest & Caroline Harrison lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Gladys L. Grate



Ernest & Caroline Harrison - January 05, 2022 at 10:40 AM

DW

“ David & Beverly Wilson purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Mrs. Gladys L. Grate.



David & Beverly Wilson - January 04, 2022 at 04:49 PM

DW

“ To the Grate Family of the late Gladys Grate,

*Beverly and I are sorry for the loss of your precious loved one and extend our sincerest condolence to you in your time of bereavement. Gladys was a daughter, mother, grandmother, sister, aunt, cousin, and a Christian among other things. She was a special sister-in-law to me, and I will always be grateful for having her my life and that of my family. Our thoughts and prayers are with her and her family. She is now in God's bosom forever!*

*“God our Father, Your power brings us to birth, Your Providence guides our lives, and by Your command we return to dust.” AMEN!*

*Prayerfully yours,  
David and Beverly Wilson*

David & Beverly Wilson - January 04, 2022 at 04:35 PM