



## Mary Gold Mitchell Wilkes

April 23, 1928 - August 11, 2019

Mary Gold Mitchell Wilkes departed this earthly world on Sunday, August 11, 2019. She was predeceased by her loving and devoted husband, Herbert W. Wilkes Jr. and a daughter, Mary Margaret Wilkes Karraker.

Mrs. Wilkes served in many roles over her long and adventurous life. She was a devoted and loving wife, mother and distinguished educator. Mrs. Wilkes was a member of Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, Alpha Eta Chapter, Columbia, SC, including a term as Chapter president. In 1982 Mrs. Wilkes was honored as the SC Home Economics Association Teacher of the Year. She was a member of Belin Memorial United Methodist Church, Murrells Inlet, South Carolina. Mrs. Wilkes had a courageous spirit and traveled extensively during her life. She was a Master Gardener and frequented Brookgreen Gardens where she enjoyed watching children playing as well as the beautiful flora and fauna.

Deeply grieving her death, yet celebrating her life, are her daughter, Mary Jean Wilkes Rice; two sons in law, Coolidge H. Rice Jr. and Mark H. Karraker; two beloved granddaughters and a great-grandson. Throughout her life Mrs. Wilkes was blessed with so many loving, kind, and faithful family and friends. A graveside service will be held at 11:00 AM Wednesday, August 14, 2019 at Belin Memorial United Methodist Church Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorials are requested to the charity of the donor's choice: Caris Healthcare, 174 Waccamaw Medical Park Ct. Conway, SC or to Belin Memorial United Methodist Church, PO Box 528 Murrells Inlet, SC 29576.

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Goldfinch Funeral Home, Beach Chapel is in charge of the arrangements.