



## Virginia McDowell

March 18, 1941 - April 13, 2011

Little River...Virginia Ruth Smith Mills McDowell, age 70, wife of the late Ronnie McDowell, went home to be with her Lord on Wednesday, April 13, 2011 at The Retreat at Brightwater.

Mrs. McDowell was born in Horry County, a daughter of the late Lewis Wilson Smith and Lily Ruth McCormick. She was a member of Pleasant Plain Baptist Church. Mrs. McDowell enjoyed spending time with family and friends. She was preceded in death by her first husband, Don Washington Mills; and a brother, Edward Smith.

Surviving are one son, Christopher Mills of Conway; one daughter, Donna Chandler of Rock Hill, SC; four brothers, Thomas Smith (Elsie), Bobby Smith (Bonnie), Lonnie Smith (Athene) and Kenny Smith all of Conway; four sisters, Mary Allen of Conway, Patricia Siratt (Patrick) of Little River, Debbie Wilburn (Robert) of Columbus, MS, and Wanda Cox (Terry) of Socastee; four grandchildren, Alex McDowell, Tyffany Chandler, Casey Mills, and Ryan Mills; one great-grandchild, Seth Mills; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday at Goldfinch Funeral Home, Conway Chapel at 11:00 AM with the Rev. Dennis Williams and Rev. Mack Hutson officiating. Entombment will follow in Hillcrest Mausoluem.

The family will receive friends from 6:00 until 8:00 PM Friday at the funeral home.

Memorials may be sent to Pleasant Plain Baptist Church Building Fund, 1260 Hwy. 57 N., Little River, SC 29566.

Sign a guestbook at [www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com](http://www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com)

Goldfinch Funeral Home, Conway Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *GENE & Violet Boyd lit a candle in memory of Virginia McDowell*



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**GENE & Violet Boyd** - April 15, 2011 at 01:36 PM

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“ *My dear cousin 'Gin' may have been small in stature, but she was a strong and mighty woman in the eyes of all who knew her! Even when she was sick, down in spirits, etc., she would have that sweet smile on her pretty little face. You hardly ever heard her complain for she was the happiest when she was with her beloved family and that's what mattered the most to her. She considered herself blessed to be a child with 9 other siblings an of course, she knew she was blessed because she's a child of God! You will be missed Gin. We love you. To all the family - we love you. Hold on to the memories and to each other. We're here for you.*

*With love and prayers,*

*Robin McCormick Simmons and Wendell Simmons*

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**Robin McCormick Simmons** - April 14, 2011 at 08:01 AM