



## Marvella B Kirkling

October 16, 1925 - February 17, 2026

Marvella B. Kirkling, 100, of Chattanooga, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, February 17, 2026, in a local healthcare facility in Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia. She was born on October 16, 1925, in Milan, Georgia. Marvella was educated in the Public School System in Milan, Georgia and later in Chattanooga.

Marvella met and married John Wesley Stone and to this union five children were born. John preceded Marvella in death after 20 years of marriage. She worked as a Certified Nursing Assistant at Erlanger Baroness Hospital and retired after 25 years of service. Marvella carried herself with class and lived life on her own terms.

Marvella was a longtime member of Avondale Church of Christ, where she served faithfully. During this time, she met and married James C. Kirkling with whom she remained until his passing. She then placed her membership with the Alton Park Church of Christ where she attended until her health became to decline.

Marvella's parents, Mary and Shirley Brinkley are already in heaven awaiting her arrival. She was also preceded in death by her son, Wesley Stone, Sr.; half-sister, Annie Sudden; and beloved friend, Shirley Bennett.

She leaves to cherish her memories, daughters, Dirria Bell and Dennis Stone-Hampton; sons, Jarett Stone and Gregory Stone of Virginia; a loving and devoted granddaughter, Diondra Pointer (Scott) Moody of Alabama, granddaughters, Lakeisha Stone-Browder, Natosha Stone, Alicia Stone, Lajuan Stone, Adrienne Bell, Bresha Stone, and Tameka Stone of Texas; grandsons, Kerry Pointer of Mississippi, Wesley Stone, Jr., Marvin Stone, and Johnathan Stone all of Texas, Chardon "Arie" Bennett, Miquel Stone and Deonta Stone; treasured cousin Verlene Brown of Florida; beloved friend, Stella Jones; and a host of great-grandchildren.

Marvella will lie-in-state on Wednesday, February 25, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. at Taylor Funeral Home. Graveside service will follow at 2:00 p.m. in Chattanooga National Cemetery.

# Previous Events

## Lie-In-State

FEB **25**. 9:00 AM - 1:30 PM (ET)

Taylor Funeral Home  
3417 Wilcox Boulevard  
Chattanooga, TN 37411-1076

## Graveside

FEB **25**. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Chattanooga National Cemetery  
1200 Bailey Avenue  
Chattanooga, TN 37404

# Tribute Wall



“ we shared so many good times together with her and kirk my husband will truly miss them both . together again.

Patricia Reynolds - March 09 at 12:12 AM



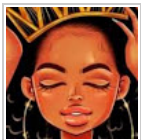
“ the Johnson family sending you our condolences.

trevon johnson - February 27 at 02:11 PM



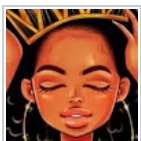
“ Extending prayers and condolences to the family May you continue to hold your head up in your time over bereavement and my God will do the rest

Randy Toney - February 25 at 03:53 PM



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Adrienne Bell - February 24 at 09:59 PM



“ Love and Miss You Granny 💕💋

Adrienne Bell - February 24 at 07:52 PM

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“ *She Kirkland was truly a special member. She was also an impeccable dresser. I will always remember that sweet smile...Sending love and comfort to the entire Stone/Kirkland*

**Darlene Houston** - February 23 at 05:41 PM



“ *Praying for the Family for comfort and strength during this difficult time. Sorry for your loss and may God bless the family. Amen*

**Maxie Benton** - February 23 at 01:50 AM

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“ *Ernest & Mary Love purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Marvella B Kirkling.*



**Ernest & Mary Love** - February 21 at 11:45 PM

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“ *MAY YOU REST IN PEACE MS. MARVELLA.*

**Linda Fuqua** - February 21 at 10:11 PM

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“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



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**Alicia Stone** - February 20 at 01:45 AM