



Mrs. Katie "Kitty" Graham

May 24, 1931 - October 23, 2018

Mrs. Katie Lee (Kitty) Rambo Graham, age 87, of Shelbyville, passed away Tuesday, October 23, 2018.

Funeral services will be 1:00 PM Sunday, October 28, 2018 at Feldhaus Memorial Chapel. Reverend Lanita Monroe will officiate. Burial will follow in Willow Mount Cemetery. The family will receive visitors 3:00-6:00 PM Saturday at the funeral home.

She was born May 24, 1931, in Shelbyville, to the late Shields Wilson Rambo, Sr., and Katie Lee Moore Rambo. She spent her entire life serving and helping others. In her work career, she served as a valued executive secretary or assistant for several of Shelbyville's most distinguished business leaders. She especially loved accounting. In her ministry, she served tirelessly for animal welfare. She rescued and cared for critters of all shapes and sizes.

She was a founder and charter member of Shelbyville Bedford County Humane Society. She supported many causes that put animals before convenience. She was steadfast in the cause, conducting countless mercy missions to assist animals, as well as helping pet-owners with supplies.

She received numerous awards for her service including: The Professional Woman's Luncheon Volunteer of the Year, SBCCC Good Citizen Award,

SBCCC Deery Eakin Volunteer of the Year, SBCCC Franklin Yates Lifetime Achievement Award, and more. While she appreciated the recognition, because it brought attention to the cause, she always received her satisfaction directly from the animals she served.

She was a member of First United Methodist Church from a young age, where she sang in the choir. In her school years, she was a proud team member of Shelbyville Golden Eaglettes basketball, and was salutatorian of the Class of 1949.

She was preceded in death by husband, Richard Lee Graham; two brothers, Shields Wilson Rambo, Jr., and Jim Alexander Rambo, and two sisters, Martha Ventriss Rambo Adams and Mary Moore Rambo Turnbow.

Survivors include a daughter, Bonnie Graham (Ed) Rojas, of Shelbyville; three sons, David Graham and Mark (Regina) Graham, both of Shelbyville, and Jeff (Mary Jo) Graham, of Murfreesboro; six grandchildren, Richard Graham Rojas, Josh Graham, Greg Graham, Ellen Lee Graham Osborne, and Mary Lee Graham Batson; four great-grandchildren, Jacob Graham, Eli Graham, Sam Graham, and Luke Osborne.

The family would like to give special thanks to her dear friends and caregivers, Carolyn Fisher and Crystal Barker.

Memorials may be made to New Destiny Dog Rescue, PO Box 42, Wartrace, TN 37183.

Feldhaus Memorial Chapel is assisting the family with arrangements.

Tribute Wall

AJ

“ *Annie Jernigan lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Katie "Kitty" Graham*



Annie Jernigan - November 03, 2018 at 12:58 PM

DC

“ *Dear Bonnie & Family,
So sorry to hear about the death of Kitty. She was such a sweet person, and she did so much for the Humane Association placing unwanted pets. She graduated with my Mom, Ann Halmontaller. May you all find peace and comfort knowing she is now with Richard and all who have gone before.*

Donna Halmontaller Cartwright

Donna Cartwright - November 03, 2018 at 08:13 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mrs. Katie "Kitty" Graham.*



October 27, 2018 at 12:51 PM

ST

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the entire family during this time of grief.
*Friends from the Emmaus community,
Sam & Jennifer Trott*

Sam & Jennifer Trott - October 27, 2018 at 08:35 AM

MI

“ Jeff, Will always remember the "Blue Ribbon" Parkway days and how kind your mother was. May Peace be with your family. Love Squirrel.

Michael - October 26, 2018 at 01:23 PM

GG

“ Gail George lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Katie "Kitty" Graham



Gail George - October 25, 2018 at 01:47 PM

BD

“ Barbara Draine lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Katie "Kitty" Graham



barbara draine - October 25, 2018 at 01:26 PM

AC

“ Anna Clanton lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Katie "Kitty" Graham



Anna Clanton - October 25, 2018 at 09:39 AM

PR

“ Peggy Robinson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Katie "Kitty" Graham



Peggy Robinson - October 24, 2018 at 09:32 PM