



## Mrs. Sara Jane Bartlett Rief Obituary

August 2, 1935 - February 2, 2012

Sara Jane Bartlett Rief age 76 of Albany, Ga. passed away Thursday February 2, 2012 at Emory Hospital Atlanta, Ga following a brief illness. Her funeral service will be held at 10 AM, Monday, February 6, 2012 at St. Teresa's Catholic Church. The Rev. Finbarr Stanton will officiate. Mrs. Rief will be cremated and her cremated remains will be buried on Tuesday 10 AM at Crown Hill Cemetery. There will be a gathering of family and friends on Sunday, February 5, 2012 from 1:00pm to 3:00pm at Kimbrell-Stern Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Rief was born Sara Jane Brannon on August 2, 1935 in Rome, Ga. She was the widow of Chester Rief, recently deceased of Albany, Ga. She was the daughter of William Weldon and Sara S. Brannon of Cordele, GA. She is the sister of Retired Colonel W.W. Brannon Jr. of Johnson City, Tenn. and Lilly B. McGregor of Valdosta, Ga.

She was preceded in death by her first husband Richard M. Bartlett. She is survived by her daughter Bridgett Cook and husband Jim of Marietta, Ga. and her son Richard M. Bartlett of Florida. She leaves behind 4 grand children Christopher Cook and wife Allison of Fairfield, Ct; Cassandra Caliendo and husband Jim of Marietta, Ga.; Kelly Cook of Marietta Ga.; and Kristen Pickens and husband Billy of Greenville, SC. In addition, she leaves 8 great grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews to mourn her passing.

Mrs. Rief attended public schools in Cordele, Ga. and attended Auburn University. Mrs. Rief was an avid athlete enjoying both golf and tennis. She

also enjoyed reading and bridge. She was a sustaining member of the Charity League of Albany. She is a member of Saint Teresa Catholic Church.

In lieu of flowers please make memorials to Windship Cancer Institute, c/o Emory University, 1762 Clifton Rd, Suite 1400, Atlanta, GA 30322-1710.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 5. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Kimbrell-Stern Funeral Directors  
1503 Dawson Rd.  
Albany, GA 31707

## Funeral Mass

FEB 6. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Teresa's Catholic Church  
421 Edgewood Lane  
Albany, GA 31707

## Interment

FEB 7. 10:00 AM (ET)

Crown Hill Cemetery  
1907 Dawson Rd  
Albany, GA 31707  
(229) 883-6600  
<https://www.kimbrellstern.com/>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Sara Jane Bartlett Rief Obituary*

May 22, 2023 at 01:29 AM



“ *Mrs. Sara Jane Bartlett Rief Obituary*

December 24, 2022 at 02:54 AM



“ *I am sorry to hear of the death of Sara Jane. Her mother and my mother were childhood friends from birth until their nineties. Even though we were not close in age, I kept up with her through our families. May God keep her family in His arms as they pass through these difficult days.*

*Lydia Jay Mason*

**Lydia Jay Mason - Fitzgerald, GA - Friend** - February 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Sara Jane was always one of the prettiest girls in school and was as sweet as beautiful. She and Dick Bartlett were always bright and happy participants in our class reunions over the next 35-45 years. She has a warm spot in the hearts of all her classmates. Her family has my heartfelt sympathy. Will always remember her fondly.*

**Dr. Reuel Hamilton, Jr - Kennesaw, GA - Cordele classmate** - February 07, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ To Bridgett, Jim and Family. Lilly and Family Bill and Family, sending you our love and prayers.

*Dick and I feel the loss of Sara Jane.*

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**Mrs Richard E Caliendo - Sebastian, FL - Friends** - February 05, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ You will always be remembered as one of my most special friends since gramer school..... You will be greatly missed by all that knew you. MY love and prayers to your family.

*Love,  
Lee Jean Smith*

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**Lee Jean Smith - Cordele,, GA - Friend** - February 05, 2012 at 12:00 AM

AG

“ Lilly, I have you in my prayers.

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**Alice Burton - Leesburg, , GA** - February 05, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ She was a beautiful lady both in and outside. We will miss her always especially at our next reunion. I will put her on my pray list.  
*Jim*

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**Jim Grimes - Hiawassee, , GA - High School classmate & Friend** - February 04, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RP

“ Dear Bridget, and all of the very loving family of dear Sara Jane (Big Momma) as she was lovingly called. Words can not express the sentiment we want to convey to all of you. Just know; we are thinking of you all and praying for the peace that comes with the thought that she lives forever in all hearts who knew her! Wishing we had known her for more than the few times we met her. loving thoughts.  
Dick and Teresa

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**Richard E Caliendo & Teresa Caliendo - Sebastian, FL - Jim Caliendo's parents**  
- February 04, 2012 at 12:00 AM

FC

“ Sara Jane and I were high school friends and shared many happy times. I will always have wonderful memories of our times together. We will keep you all in our prayers.  
Sincerely, June and Fred Dorminy

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**Fred & June(Harper) Dorminy - Thomasville, GA - Friend - Cordele** - February 03, 2012 at 12:00 AM