



## Mrs. Charlene M. Pace

January 2, 1949 - December 16, 2023

Charlene Pace, age 74, of Scottsboro, Alabama passed away at UAB Hospital on Saturday, December 16, 2023. Charlene, daughter of Charlotte and John W. McBride was born on January 2, 1949 in Guntersville, Alabama. She was a graduate of KDS DAR High School and attained a Bachelor's Degree in Education at Florence State University and her Master's Degree in Library Science from Alabama A&M University.

Mrs. Pace was employed as an educator at her beloved alma mater, KDS DAR School, for 38 years where she served as a teacher, a librarian and most importantly a friend to and mentor of multitudes of students. She served as President and as Honorary Board member of the KDS DAR School Alumni Association. Additionally, she was a member of the Heroes of Kings Mountain Chapter, NSDAR where she served in many offices and chairmanships supporting the organization in all of its volunteer activities.

In 2018, Charlene became a kidney transplant recipient and therefore a fierce advocate for organ donation. Jami Bellar, a beloved former student, while not a perfect match, made the decision to donate a kidney in Charlene's name, resulting in her advancing up the transplant list and quickly receiving a lifesaving transplant.

Mrs. Pace is survived by her husband Billy Earl Pace; sons William Scott

Pace (Beth Cagle) and Charles Wade Pace (Leslie); two grandsons William Thomas Pace and Henry Bennett Pace; and brother Jimmy "Bo" McBride (Trudy). She was preceded in death by her parents, John W. McBride and Charlotte G. McBride; and brothers Jerry V. McBride, Johnny L. McBride, and Joe W. McBride.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, January 5, 2024 at Grant Memorial Chapel with visitation beginning at 11 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that those that wish to express sympathy consider making a donation to the KDS DAR Scholarship Fund ([www.kdsdar.org](http://www.kdsdar.org)) and to consider becoming an organ donor ([www.organdonor.gov](http://www.organdonor.gov)).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 5. 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Grant Memorial Chapel  
4930 Main Street  
P.O. Box 484  
Grant, AL 35747  
(256) 728-2000  
grantmemorial@nehp.net  
<https://www.grantmemorialchapel.com>

## Memorial Service

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# Tribute Wall

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“ *The Keller Family purchased the White Poinsettia for the family of Mrs. Charlene M. Pace.* ”



**The Keller Family** - January 04, 2024 at 11:39 AM

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“ *Charlene was a dedicated educator, loving wife and mother. She made a difference in the lives of so many. I was fortunate and blessed to serve alongside of her for many years at DAR School. Prayers and sympathy to Billy Earl and the boys.* ”

**Joe Teal** - December 21, 2023 at 12:26 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mrs. Charlene M. Pace.* ”



December 20, 2023 at 06:57 PM

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“ *Charlene and I started first grade together and enjoyed many years as friends. My prayers are with her family and friends at this difficult time. Fly high my Friend! I will miss you and your sweet ways of always making people feel loved.*  
*Judy Parker McAllister*



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**Judy McAllister** - December 20, 2023 at 09:49 AM