



Mrs. Ursula "Sue" Sparkman

August 26, 1917 - June 1, 2016

Ursula W. "Sue" Sparkman, 98, of Plant City, Florida, entered into eternal rest on June 1, 2016. She was born in Escalon, California on August 26 1917, but grew up in Chicago, Illinois. She was a 1935 graduate of the Francis W. Parker School in Chicago, and was influenced throughout her life by the unique culture and creative learning experiences she enjoyed there. She graduated from Carleton College in Northfield, Minnesota with a degree in Zoology. She visited Florida in 1940 with her family, where she met her future husband Simeon C. Sparkman. They were married later that year. Sue was a member of the First Baptist Church of Plant City, Alpha Delta Kappa International Honorary Organization for Women Educators, and the retired Teacher's Association of Plant City. She was a volunteer for the South Florida Baptist Hospital Pink Ladies, and the East Hillsborough Historical Society. A retired teacher, she served at Tomlin Junior High, and Dover and Burney Elementary Schools. She was a devoted wife and loving mother, and enjoyed a lifelong love of the opera. She was preceded in death by her husband of 44 years, Simeon C. Sparkman. She is survived by her sons, Simeon "Tim" Sparkman, Jr. of Tampa, Steve Sparkman (Terry) of Plant City, and Bob Sparkman (Samara) of Lutz; grandchildren, Joanna Capó (Chris) of Marietta, Georgia, and Kevin Sparkman (Kim) of Brentwood, Tennessee; great-grandson, Jonathan Capó; and numerous nieces and nephews. The family thanks Dot Huff for the special care she provided to Sue. A Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday, June 18 at 11:00 A.M. at the First Baptist Church of

Plant City, 503 N. Palmer Street, Plant City 33563. Private interment will follow at Dover Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the First Baptist Church of Plant City Building Fund, Florida Baptist Children's Home, P.O. Box 8190, Lakeland, Florida 33802, or a charity of your choice. Expressions of condolence at www.HopewellFuneral.com.

Previous Events

Service

JUN 18. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

First Baptist Church Plant City
3309 James L Redman Pkwy
Plant City, FL 33566
<http://fbcpc.com>

Tribute Wall



“ Hopewell Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs. Ursula "Sue" Sparkman



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MD

“ I was so sorry to hear of Sue's passing. She was a treasured friend and wonderful lady. She was a room mother for my class at Bryan School when Steve was a student. Later we taught together at two elementary schools. She loved her family. My thoughts and prayers are with you. She will be missed.



Martha Dixon

Martha Dixon - June 25, 2016 at 11:39 AM

JB

“ Grandma Sue was the kindest and most generous lady! I have no doubt she is smiling on all of us from above!

janie bell - June 17, 2016 at 01:53 PM

Kende Bodiford

“ I've always admired and loved my Great-Aunt Sue! Peace in knowing she's with Christ in her eternal home.

Kende Bodiford - June 16, 2016 at 05:48 PM

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Kende Susan Sparkman Bodiford - June 16, 2016 at 05:45 PM



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