



## Mrs Esta "Mae" Mae Gabel

November 17, 1935 - November 28, 2025

Esta Mae Gabel was born to Gerald Presnall and Martha Hamby Presnall in Whatley, AL. Her family moved to Bay Minette, AL in the 1940's. She graduated from Baldwin County High School in 1953. She married Andrew Jackson Gabel in 1956 and moved to Fairhope, AL. She worked in the food and beverage industry at the Grand Hotel and the International Trade Club. At the age of 42 she enrolled at the University of South Alabama where she obtained a B.S. and M.A. in Counseling and Guidance. She worked for the Salvation Army as the Coordinator of the Drug and Alcohol Program for 25 plus years.

She is survived by her sons Andrew Jackson Gabel of Glen Burnie, MD, and Robert Douglas Gabel of Mobile, AL., as well as grandchildren Taunia Gabel, Cody Gabel, Ashley Gabel, Dustin Gabel, Kristen Gabel, Madisen Gabel, and 5 great grandchildren.

Mae was an avid reader and enjoyed playing card games and Mexican Train dominos with her beloved friends. She was a member of The Gulf Coast Grandmothers and enjoyed their many retreats at Camp Beckwith in Fairhope, AL.

There will be a private celebration of life later this month.