

IN MEMORIAL OF JONNIE DEE RILEY LITTLE
WIFE OF FORMER SLC CHAIRMAN SENATOR TED LITTLE, ALABAMA

Jonnie Dee Riley Little, a prominent and outstanding citizen of the great State of Alabama and wife of former Alabama Senator Ted Little, died of cancer after an extended illness on January 1, 1988, at East Alabama Medical Center.

Jonnie Dee Riley Little was born in Andalusia, Alabama. Mrs. Little graduated from the Andalusia public schools, attended Judson College, received her masters degree from West Virginia University, her Ph.D. degree from the University of Alabama, and did additional study at the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music.

During Mrs. Little's professional career she served as assistant professor of counselor education at Auburn University, executive secretary of Judson College Alumni Association, editor of the alumni publication for the University of Alabama, and assistant professor of music at Berry College in Rome, Georgia. She also was a charter member of the Auburn Arts Association and the Auburn Music Club and held memberships in AAUW, Delta Kappa Gamma, Kappa Delta Pi and the Auburn Federated Women's Club.

Mrs. Little was active in county affairs having served as a board member of both the Lee County Council for Neglected and Dependent Children and the Lee County Mental Health Association. She was always involved in her husband's political campaigns and was a successful candidate herself when, in 1980, she ran and was elected delegate for the Third Congressional District to the National Democratic Convention in New York. Mrs. Little was a member of the First Baptist Church of Auburn where she had served as a director of the Women's Missionary Union and for many years as a Sunday School teacher.

Mrs. Little is survived by her husband, Ted Little and their two daughters, Mollie Dora and Terre Su Little.

Jonnie Dee Riley Little led a life rich in service to her community, state and nation and will be fondly remembered in the years to come.

The Southern Legislative Conference is grievously saddened by the death of Jonnie Dee Riley Little, wife of past SLC Chairman Ted Little. The Southern Legislative Conference commends the life of Jonnie Dee Riley Little as an example of leadership and courage, and we do hereby express the heartfelt sympathy of the Southern Legislative Conference to her family.