



## Johnnie Merchant

November 17, 1935 - April 22, 2014

Johnnie Pippin Merchant, 78 of Ft. Walton Beach, Florida passed away Tuesday, April 22, 2014 at Westwood Healthcare surrounded by her beloved sister and family.

Ms. Merchant was born in Noma, Florida on November 17, 1935 to the late Eric and Bessie Anderson Pippin. She was a graduate of Holmes County High School, attended Judson College, graduate of Florida State University receiving her BS and graduate of New Mexico State University receiving her MA. Ms. Merchant retired from the Okaloosa County School Board. She was a member of AOII(Alpha Omicron Pi), Florida State University and Trinity United Methodist Church in Ft. Walton Beach.

Graveside service will be 11 a.m., Thursday, April 24, 2014 at the Marvin Chapel Cemetery with Rev. Paula Roane officiating, James & Lipford Funeral Home directing.

Preceded in death by her parents and niece Kaye Cain.

Survived by her beloved sister Iva Pippin Cain, Ft. Walton Beach, FL; niece Linda Bryan and husband Kevin, Brantley, AL; two great nieces Kaylin Whitworth, Erica Meredith.

# Tribute Wall

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“ Iva, so sorry to hear about Johnnie. I know how close you were but may the memories of fun times help at this sad time. Linda

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**Linda Maddox** - April 28, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ I will always remember Ms. Merchant from her FWBHS days. She cared very much for the students she counseled. My prayers go out to her family and friends.

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**Robin Leechin Gill** - April 24, 2014 at 12:00 AM