



Mary Alice Deloach Temple

September 18, 1925 - March 26, 2026

Saluda, SC

Mary Temple

Mary Alice Deloach Temple, 100, passed away Thursday, March 26, 2026, at Saluda Nursing Center.

Losing a mother brings overwhelming grief.

Born September 18, 1925, in Saluda, SC, she was the 8th of 9 children of James and Emma Deloach. She was the wife of the late Jesse L. Temple. Mrs. Mary Alice was a devoted and loving woman whose life was defined by hard work, selflessness, and an unwavering commitment to her family. Raised on the family farm, she learned early the value of perseverance and responsibility, lessons that remained with her throughout her life.

She carried that strong work ethic into her years in the textile industry, where later, she found joy in working in daycare, where her kind and nurturing spirit touched the lives of many children and families.

In time, Mrs. Mary Alice made the heartfelt decision to stay at home to care for her great-grandchildren, a role she embraced with deep love and pride. Being

a constant presence in their lives brought her immeasurable happiness, and she cherished every moment spent guiding and caring for them. The love for her family knew no bounds, they were truly the center of her world and brought her endless joy.

She found great peace and satisfaction being in the sun and outdoors, especially tending to her yard. Whether planting flowers or simply enjoying the beauty of nature, she was happiest when surrounded by the outdoors she loved.

Thank you, mom, for making us who we are.

Together with her husband, they were blessed with four children, Jesse William Temple, Rev. Jerry Temple, Gail Worrell, and Jan Stone and a sister, Susie Leopard. She was the cherished grandmother of four grandchildren, Jason Rinehart, Jessica White, Tim Worrell, and Geoffrey Temple, and seven great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Mary Alice was preceded in death by her husband of 70 years, Jesse L. Temple, two sisters, Sally Johnson and Mattie Spurling, and five brothers, Ottis Deloach, Nathaniel Deloach, Dob Deloach, Henry Bell Deloach, and Clyde Deloach.

A funeral service will be held 2 p.m. on Tuesday, March 31, 2026, at Bethlehem United Methodist Church with Pastor Charles Adam and Pastor Jerry Temple officiating. Interment will follow in the church cemetery. The family will receive friends following the service in the Church Sanctuary.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Bethlehem United Methodist Church, 215 Bethlehem Church Road, Johnston, SC 29832.

Cemetery Details

Bethlehem United Methodist Church Cemetery

159 Bethlehem Church Rd
Johnston, SC 29832

Previous Events

Funeral

MAR 31. 2:00 PM (ET)

Bethlehem United Methodist Church
159 Bethlehem Church Rd.
Johnston, SC 29832

Visitation following Burial

MAR 31 (ET)

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Tribute Wall

JM

“ So sorry to hear about Mrs. Mary. I enjoyed her company while with Mom. She loved music as long as it was gospel. Prayers for all of the family.

Judy Mitchell - March 30 at 05:00 PM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Mary Alice Deloach Temple.



March 30 at 10:55 AM

NG

“ Naomi & Brenda Goodman lit a candle in memory of Mary Temple



Naomi & Brenda Goodman - March 28 at 11:28 PM

CB

“ My heart and prayers are with the family during this time. Cherish the wonderful memories you hold in your heart.



Carol Bledsoe - March 28 at 03:28 PM

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“ *Debra Temple lit a candle in memory of Mary Temple*



Debra Temple - March 27 at 09:33 PM