



Nell-Ann Plunkett

December 23, 1932 - September 11, 2015

Nell-Ann Summers Walters Plunkett, wife of 34 years of Benson Plunkett, passed away on September 11, 2015. She was the daughter of Gailey and Virginia Summers of Conyers and the sister of Gayle Summers Gillies Mize of Rancho Sante Fe, CA. Nell-Ann's children and grandchildren are: Bruce Gailey Walters, his wife Prema and his two sons, Jason and Jonathan; Diane Walters Howington and her children, Marcie and John; Judy Walters Azar, her husband Louis and their sons, Christopher Gailey and Timothy. Conyers First United Methodist Church has been the home church for Nell-Ann's family for six generations. Nell-Ann was born December 23rd, 1932. She was valedictorian of Conyers High School in 1949 and graduated from Wesleyan College in 1953. She was President of her student body and was named by Wesleyan to Who's Who in American Universities and Colleges. She did graduate work at Columbia University in New York and Emory University in Atlanta. She taught English at Rockdale High School during the 1960's and at Heritage High School in the 1980's. During the 1970's, she taught advanced senior English (Literary Concepts, Advanced Composition and World Literature) at LaGrange High School, where she was Chairman of the English Department and the sponsor of the senior class. In LaGrange, she was named Star Teacher in 1969 and in 1973. In 1977, the LaGrange Annual was dedicated to her. Nell-Ann loved literary fiction and European travel and her students, but most of all she cherished her family and their love for each other. She believed in living life to its fullest and living each day as if it were her last.

She lived a life of love and exemplified pure grace. Funeral services will be held Sunday, September 13, 2015 at 2:00 PM at Conyers First United Methodist Church with Dr. Dave Benson officiating. Family will receive friends on Saturday, September 12, 2015 from 6:00pm-8:00pm at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Prevent Child Abuse Rockdale, 1430 Starcrest Drive, Conyers, GA 30012 or Phoenix Pass Transitional Housing for Women & Children, P.O. Box 1155, Conyers, GA 30012. Condolences may be submitted on-line at www.scotward.com. Scot Ward Funeral Services, 699 American Legion Rd., Conyers, GA, 770-483-7216.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **12.** 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Scot Ward Funeral Services at Green Meadow Memorial Gardens
699 American Legion Road
Conyers, GA 30012

Service

SEP **13.** 2:00 PM (ET)

Conyers First United Methodist Church
921 N. Main St.
Conyers, GA 30012

Tribute Wall

CC

“ I am so very sorry to hear about your loss. I so enjoyed visiting at Mr. Cope's funeral and was so touched that she said she had actually saved some of my writings from English class. I lost my mom right before, buried August 30, and somehow missed this.

Please know my thoughts are with you; I would like to send some sympathy cards and would appreciate addresses.

I am thinking of you all. Carol Clark, 60 Wembley Lane, Atlanta, Ga. 30342

carol Clark - October 19, 2015 at 09:11 AM

GS

“ Mrs. Plunkett (Walters back in 1982-83) was my senior English/Composition teacher at Heritage. Not only was she a great teacher but she was just a fun person to be around. She truly cared about her students and would take extra time with us so that we would succeed. I credit my love of writing to her and the way she nurtured that creative spark in all of us. Mrs. Walters had this little desk bell that she would ring at the start of class. Every so often someone would take some paper and stuff the bell so that it wouldn't ring. She might have been mildly annoyed but she also laughed about it every time it happened! She possessed such a caring demeanor with all of us and I can't think of a single student that didn't adore her. My heart is heavy. My thoughts and prayers go out to her family and close friends at this time.

George Sandler - October 12, 2015 at 05:53 AM

JH

“ Benson, Diane , and Judy. I was so sad to here of Nell-Ann's passing. The world lost a shining star.. I loved her when she was Virginia and Gaily's daughter, then when she was my children's favorite teacher, and when she was married to Benson. Nell-Ann and her family were my favorite customers at the Holiday Inn for many years.. All my memories of all of you are happy ones.. So please take comfort in knowing what a wonderful person she was and what a wonderful family you are. May God Bless each of you and see you through this tough time... Joanie Hegwood

Joan Hegwood - September 18, 2015 at 12:27 PM

JW

“ Diane, Judy, and all,
It saddens me greatly to know we have lost Nell-Ann now. She had the sweetest disposition of just about anyone I know. It is true about how much she smiled and made everyone who looked upon her pretty face just feel good in the moment. Your family has always been special to mine. I miss you all. I still savor the pictures of our babies, THE GAILEY KIDS and other cherished memories of our times together. Love to Benson and save some for yourselves.
Joanna, Hugh, Lee, and John

Joanna Webster - September 16, 2015 at 05:13 PM

CG

“ Diane,
We were so sorry to hear about your Mother
and know that she will be missed by so many!
She will always be Mrs. Walters to me. Her
obituary was such a tribute to what a beautiful
teacher, friend, wife, Mother, Grandmother, and Great Grandmother
that she was. Please know that you and your family are in our
prayers!
Cathy and Lewis Goode



Cathy Goode - September 16, 2015 at 08:50 AM

GM

“ 4 files added to the album *Our LOVE*



Gayle Summers Gillies Mize - September 14, 2015 at 04:59 PM

CJ

“ She was Mrs Walters back in school. I had her class for two years and loved her! She wasn't only a wonderful teacher but a great friend. Back in 1982 I went to her between classes and talked to her about the fact that my prom date had backed out on me. She suggested that I go with a friend of mine, since it was my senior year. I asked this good friend, Kevin Joost to go with me just as friends...we went and celebrated out 30 year wedding anniversary this year! I love you and will really treasure our memories. My prayers extend to the entire family. She will be missed. She is such a wonderful lady! Carla Goins Joost

carla g. joost - September 13, 2015 at 11:34 AM

JF

“ Nell Ann and I were classmates at Conyers High. I've treasured our friendship over the years and will miss her ready smile and her winning personalty. All the members of the class of '49 have lost a true friend.

Jack Franklin

Jack Franklin - September 13, 2015 at 09:36 AM



“ Dee Vanderlin lit a candle in memory of Nell-Ann Plunkett



Dee Vanderlin - September 12, 2015 at 10:52 PM



Sending my love and prayers ~ She was so very very kind to me ~and always spoke with a smile in her voice ~

Dee Vanderlin - September 12, 2015 at 10:54 PM

PG

“ *Our sincere sympathy to Mrs. Plunkett's family in the passing of their loved one. Philip and Rose Brett Grabowskii*



Philip and Rose Brett Grabowskii - September 12, 2015 at 10:18 PM

DB

“ *Donna Burroughs lit a candle in memory of Nell-Ann Plunkett*



Donna Burroughs - September 12, 2015 at 08:30 PM

DB

Has been a pleasure to be able to call this wonderful lady my friend.

Donna Burroughs - September 12, 2015 at 08:33 PM

BD

Nell Ann and I were classmates from 3rd grade through graduation and I've always treasured our friendship. We shared a lot of fun times. She always wore a smile and I never knew her to be unkind to anyone. She has always been a special person and I will remember her always.

Betty Delk

Betty Delk - September 13, 2015 at 03:05 PM



“ 41 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Scot Ward Funeral Services - September 12, 2015 at 03:51 PM



“ We would like to extend our love and sympathy to all the family, especially Benson and Gayle. We have known Nell Ann all of her life and loved her dearly. She shall be missed by all of the County and the other counties where she lived and taught. Loved her mother and father, Gailey and Virginia and Mama Doll, also.
Jeanette Johnson Lackey and Bob Lackey

Jeanette J. Lackey - September 12, 2015 at 01:35 PM