



Mrs. Sarah Nell Barnes

April 15, 1930 - April 21, 2014

Mrs. Sarah Nell Barnes, of Carrollton, Georgia and formerly of Douglasville, Georgia, passed away on April 21, 2014. She was 84.

Mrs. Barnes was born on April 15, 1930 to the late Joseph and Bethie Cook Marlow. She graduated from the University of Georgia in 1950 and later received her Masters Degree in Education from the University of West Georgia. Mrs. Barnes taught at Temple and Douglas County High School, but she spent the majority of her career at Beulah Elementary School in Douglas County, where she taught for 36 years. In addition to teaching, Mrs. Barnes enjoyed volunteering and worked with the Tanner Auxiliary at Tanner Medical Center for 22 years and with Tanner Hospice for 4 years. She was a devoted member of Bowdon Baptist Church where she sang in the Joy Singers Choir. She was also a member of the Douglas and Carroll County Retired Teachers Association and enjoyed gardening and cooking.

In addition to her parents, Mrs. Barnes was preceded in death by her brothers and sisters; Jesse Marlow, Carl Marlow, Ruby Marlow Harmon, Donald Marlow, and Laura Mae Marlow Harrison.

Survivors include her husband of 61 years, James M. "Jim" Barnes; her children and their spouses, Mary Beth and Bill Hutcheson, Mark and Lynn Barnes, Jeff and Melissa Barnes, and Melissa and David Vineyard; her

grandchildren, Emily Boston, Anna Riggs, Zeb Barnes, Rachel Neese, Jenna Barnes, Abbey Barnes, Jacob Vineyard, Jordan Williams, and Joshua Vineyard; 7 great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday, April 24, 2014 at 11:00 a.m. at Bowdon Baptist Church. Bro. Keith Ramage, Dr. J. Howard Cobble, and Dr. Bill Hutcheson will officiate. Music will be provided by Mary Beth Hutcheson and Mark Barnes with Sue Barnes accompanying on the piano. Rev. Benny Boggus will lead a congregational hymn. Pallbearers will be Zeb Barnes, Jacob Vineyard, Joshua Vineyard, Eli Neese, Steven Boston, Jake Riggs, and Jarrod Williams. Interment will follow at Antioch Baptist Church Cemetery.

Prior to the funeral service, her body will lie-in-state at the church from 10:30 a.m. until the funeral hour.

The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Wednesday, April 23, 2014 from 5:00 until 8:00 p.m.

Those wishing to do so may make contributions in Mrs. Barnes' memory to the Bowdon Baptist Church Building Fund (P.O. Box 250, Bowdon, GA 30108) or to the Salvation Army (www.salvationarmyusa.org).

Cemetery Details

Antioch Baptist Church Cemetery

31 Antioch Church Road
Carrollton, GA 30117

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **23**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Rainwater Funeral Home
317 North Carroll Street
Bowdon, GA 30108
(770) 258-7239
info@rainwaterfuneralhome.com
<https://www.rainwaterfuneralhome.com>

Service

APR **24**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Bowdon Baptist Church
205 Mill Street
Bowdon, GA 30108

Tribute Wall

ZM

“ From my very first day of teaching in my first school (Beulah Elementary), I liked Sarah Nell. I quickly came to love her as a friend and admire her as a teacher, mother, and Christian. She lived near the school, and I loved visiting with her and her family. As a cat-lover, I was happy to see that they always had cats and kittens to play with.

As the years went by, I had the privilege of teaching Mary Beth, Mark, and Jeff. I didn't get to teach Melissa, but I saw how happy Sarah Nell was as she awaited her arrival. Not too long ago, I found an old letter that Sarah Nell had written me while I was in summer school at Auburn. In the letter, I could tell how excited she was about having another baby!

Sarah Nell's love of music showed up in her children, as well as in the many children that she taught in Glee Club at Beulah. Jim and Sarah Nell reared children that were not only good students, but were kind and well-mannered. A friend and neighbor of the Barnes' family, Vonnell Gilland, used to say, "You can always tell when your child is in Sarah Nell's class. They start reminding you to pull out their mother's chair at the dinner table!"

Sarah Nell was a dear, dear friend, and I cannot put into words how much she meant to Earl and me, but please know that we loved and respected her so much. She was everything that a wife, mother, teacher, and friend should be.

I truly know how much all of you are going to miss her presence, but just remember you will see her again! She would want you to stay close as a family, and I am sure you will do that.

Love to all of you,
Zadie McCall

Zadie Cunningham McCall - May 09, 2014 at 07:42 PM

KB

“ We are so sorry for your loss. We lost Paul's mother 5 weeks ago and know how it feels to lose a mother. God bless you and your family.

Kathy & Paul Bass

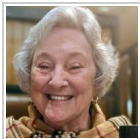
Kathy & Paul Bass - April 25, 2014 at 10:07 PM

KB

“ *Kim Whitlock Butler lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Sarah Nell Barnes*



Kim Whitlock Butler - April 25, 2014 at 01:57 PM



“ *Mary Beth, Mark, Jeff, and Melissa, I have been thinking about all of you today. I just found out and was not able to be with you for the funeral.....but she will be missed. She was definitely the first person in my life to be "Christ" to me! I will never forget her and share memories of her with people all the time. I often thank God for bringing her into my life in 2nd grade and for the prominent role she played in my life from that time forward.....God bless each of you and your families.....I love you all!*

Ann Otwell

Ann Otwell - April 24, 2014 at 07:08 PM

AA

“ *Ann Anderson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Sarah Nell Barnes*



Ann Anderson - April 24, 2014 at 07:57 AM

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“ *Ann Anderson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Sarah Nell Barnes*



Ann Anderson - April 24, 2014 at 07:56 AM

BF

“ *Betty Brown & Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Sarah Nell Barnes*



Betty Brown & Family - April 23, 2014 at 07:05 PM

NH

“ *Neal And Pat Harrington lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Sarah Nell Barnes*



Neal and Pat Harrington - April 23, 2014 at 03:54 PM

DM

“ I have wonderful memories of Sarah Nell and all her family, .and all the Barnes family...at those joyous reunions !! My thoughts and prayers are with you all. With love and sympathy,
Don McWhorter

don mcwhorter - April 23, 2014 at 03:49 PM



“ I remember going to their house with my grandparents. She was such a sweet lady. Praying for her husband and family.

Jennifer Lawrence - April 23, 2014 at 01:47 PM



“ Jennifer Lawrence lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Sarah Nell Barnes



Jennifer Lawrence - April 23, 2014 at 01:45 PM

JM

“ Janie R. Meadows lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Sarah Nell Barnes



Janie R. Meadows - April 23, 2014 at 07:13 AM

DK

“ *Debbie Knowles lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Sarah Nell Barnes*



Debbie Knowles - April 23, 2014 at 06:55 AM

LB

“ *Linda Meadows Britt lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Sarah Nell Barnes*



Linda Meadows Britt - April 22, 2014 at 11:58 PM

DS

“ *So many amazing memories of Mrs. Barnes! I was so blessed to have her as a school teacher and a Sunday School teacher. She was a mentor and teacher in and out of the classroom...for all of us 'Beulah kids'. A true Lady that loved The Lord, and a Real friend to my mom.*

Somehow she kept one eye on all of us 'ruggats' on Spivey Drive. Whether she was keeping the garden, baking red velvet cakes for my brother, cooking, or playing the piano in the front room....she always knew where we wereand what we were up to... never knew how she had it all together....

Our prayers are with each of you during this difficult time. Jim, Mary Beth, Mark, Jeff, Melissa...the spouses, grands, great grands.....

She will be missed, but lives on in each of you, until we are all united one day with our Heavenly Father.

We love you all... Deborah Witherow Starnes, Vert Witherow, Ernie and Billy Forrester.

Deborah Witherow Starnes - April 22, 2014 at 08:36 PM

TC

“ *Tanner Hospice Care staff would like to offer our condolences to you during this difficult time and to say thank you for trusting your loved one in our care*

Tanner Hospice Care - April 22, 2014 at 04:04 PM