



Janet S. Sherling

November 17, 1939 - April 1, 2016

Mrs. Janet Stovall Sherling passed away on April 1, 2016, after a short fight with pancreatic cancer. She was born on November 17, 1939 in Albany, GA to the late Joseph Milton Stovall and Mattie Will Cleveland Stovall. She was also preceded in death by her sister Polly Stovall Sparrow. Janet was a member of Phi Mu Fraternity graduating Cum Laude from Mercer University in Macon, Georgia with a BS in Education and then earned her Master's from Georgia State University in Atlanta, Georgia. She taught school in Clayton County for over 30 years where she later became principal of Edmonds Elementary in Forest Park, Georgia. She was an avid genealogist for over 30 years. Janet shared her knowledge with others in the lineage societies that she belonged to including the DAR, Colonial Dames XVII Century, Colonial Dames of America, UDC, Jonestown Society, Daughters of Founders and Patriots of American, Daughters of 1812, Dames of the Court of Honor, Magna Charta, Beach and Bar, First Families of Georgia 1733-1787. Janet served as an officer on the Chapter and State level. She was a member of the National Stovall Family Association serving as an officer. She was a member of First Baptist Church of Jonesboro and the Merry Hearts Sunday School Class. She was a humble and gracious Southern lady only wanting to be referred to as a child of God. She was married to James E. Sherling, Jr. for 54 years. Her children Laura (Ty) Hicks and Mark (Karol) Sherling gave her 8 grandchildren; Thomas, James, William and Sarah Hicks, Andrew, Alyssa, Madeline and Youraslav Sherling. Funeral services will be held at 11AM on Tuesday, April 5,

2016 in the chapel of First Baptist Church of Jonesboro. Rev. Irvin Pearre and Rev. Hinton Harris will officiate. Interment will be at Leesburg City Cemetery at 4:30 PM on Tuesday in Leesburg, GA. The family will receive friends on Monday, April 4, 2016 from 6-8 PM at the funeral home. Flowers accepted or contributions may be made to First Baptist Church of Jonesboro, PO Box 773, Jonesboro, GA 30237 in her memory. Ford-Stewart Funeral Home, Inc., Jonesboro/Stockbridge 770-210-2700. www.fordstewartfuneralhome.com

Tribute Wall

SJ

“ Thank you for the opportunity to have cared for Janet. Please know that you are in our thoughts and prayers.

Sacred Journey - April 12, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ Deepest Sympathy in the loss of a friend in First Families of Georgia. Janet will certainly be missed. May God give you comfort now and in the days ahead.

Mary Coleen Crawford, Chaplain - April 05, 2016 at 12:00 AM

EJ

“ Remember her sweet smile & demeanor. Glad we are DAR sisters & sisters in the Lord!

Elise Jones - April 04, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ I have so many fond memories of Janet, and it's such a blessing that I had the opportunity to work and get to know this special, southern lady! Her spiritual light burned bright as did her love for her family, friends and all the students she guided over the years! Thoughts and prayers to her family.

Jill Stillions - April 03, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ Dear Jim,
You have my deepest sympathy in the passing of Janet. She was so sweet and always had a smile on her face. She was my email pal and I will miss her so very much.
My thoughts and prayers are with you.

John Cowherd - April 03, 2016 at 12:00 AM

FC

“ I have wonderful memories of Mrs. Sherling and her time with us at Riverdale Elementary. She was a true Southern Lady and shared love and happiness with all who came her way. She always knew exactly what to do to brighten your day. There was no doubt about her love for the Lord and her love for her family. I will be forever grateful that the Lord allowed our paths to cross.
Frankie Lynn Clardy

Frankie Lynn Clardy - April 02, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LC

“ I am so sorry to learn of Janet's illness and passing away.
Lisa Camp (Edmonds Elementary)

Lisa Camp - April 02, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ I was so sorry to hear about your loss and pray for peace and grace during the days ahead. Your family is in my thoughts and prayers.
Diane Martin
Kilpatrick teacher 1978-1990

Diane Martin - April 01, 2016 at 12:00 AM