



Barbara Jo Duck Wansley

June 14, 1939 - August 5, 2020

Barbara Jo Duck Wansley, 81, died Wednesday, Aug. 5, 2020, at Lynwood Senior Care after an almost three-year bout with Parkinson's Disease. Due to the COVID-19 situation, there will be no scheduled visitation. There will be a graveside service at 3 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 8, at Memorial Gardens Cemetery. Rev. Randy Turner will officiate. If you attend the service, please wear a face mask and practice social distancing.

Barbara was born June 14, 1939, in Laurel where she was a lifelong resident. She attended South Laurel Baptist Church where she came to know her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Barbara was a proud 1957 graduate of George S. Gardiner High School. She was a member of the Glee Club and loved to sing and play the piano. After graduating high school, she attended Jones County Junior College for a year. Barbara and Fred Wansley were married on Oct. 21, 1960, at Magnolia Baptist Church. They had two children who they loved very much. She stayed home and raised her two sons for many years. She was highly supportive of her sons and took great care in raising them.

She was a loving, caring and devoted mother and wife and enjoyed living life to its fullest. She enjoyed a good television program, cooking, Southern Living magazine and taking care of her plants.

She was a longtime member of Laurel's First Baptist Church.

Barbara was preceded in death by her father, William E. Duck, and her mother, Vina Duck.

She is survived by her husband of 59 years, Fred Wansley; sons William R. Wansley and Shawn Wansley; and grandchildren William Caleb Wansley and Annalee Wansley.

Pallbearers will be Chuck Carter, Clifton Hyde, Mark Easley and Brett Livingston.

The family would like to thank the staff of Lynwood Senior Care, especially Ashley, for their help in taking care of Barbara. Barbara resided at Lynwood for almost three years.

Memory Chapel Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

To sign the online guestbook, visit www.memorychapel.com.

Previous Events

Graveside Service

AUG 8. 3:00 PM (CT)

Memorial Gardens Cemetery
2151 US-184
Laurel, MS 39443

Tribute Wall



“ *Our most sincere condolences to Fred and the family of Barbara Wansley. She was always so nice and seemed full of happiness. May God Bless! Terry and Marda Tullos*

Terry Tullos - August 08, 2020 at 03:13 PM



“ *Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Barbara Jo Duck Wansley.*



August 07, 2020 at 04:35 PM



“ *So sorry to hear about Barbara. Praying that your fond memories will be a comfort to you and your family at this time of your loss. Love Verna and Glen Lowe*

Verna Lowe - August 07, 2020 at 08:32 AM



“ *Barbara had a zest for life I shall always remember! She enjoyed talking and laughing with her friends, but Fred and her boys were most always in the conversation. Her friendship was a blessing to me and I thank God He allowed our paths to cross. We will be remembering her loved ones during these days as you adjust to her home going.*

Ralph and Fay Campbell

Fay C. Campbell - August 06, 2020 at 09:49 PM