



Nancy Yow Duke

August 12, 1928 - June 23, 2023

Nancy Helen Duke was welcomed into her eternal home on June 23, 2023. She was born in Mount Vernon, IN on August 12, 1929 to Helen and John Stuart Yow. She lived a full life where her faith in and love of Jesus was the foundation, and her family was the centerpiece.

She was the loving mother of Nan Perritt and Coach Buddy Duke, and she was the mother in love of Hardie Perritt and Kerry Duke. She was the dearest grandmother, "Nanny", to Emily and Kevin Wright, John and Ashleigh Perritt and Paige Bullock and Ashleigh and Stephen Firmin. She adored all of her great grands: Sarah, Ann Hardie, Samuel, Jillian, Holt, Will, Amber, Kennedy, Karson, Blayne, Khloe, Camie, Riley, Shine and great-great granddaughter Navy.

Nancy loved being involved in the life of Westminster Presbyterian Church, especially her prayer group. She enjoyed her garden club, and she was the biggest cheerleader for whatever team her son, Buddy, was coaching, especially, the Laurel Tornadoes.

She was preceded in death by her parents and siblings, Dr. John Yow and Emily Holt, and her beloved husband of over 57 years, Blanton Duke.

Pallbearers will be: John Tucker, Phil Buehler, Bud Blackledge, Rick Farmer,

Todd Breland, Bobby Hall, Ryan Ernest and Jerry Shoulders. Honorary Pallbearers: David Holt, Robert Hayes and the Officers of Westminster Presbyterian Church.

Service is Tuesday, June 27, 2023 at 12:00 PM at Westminster Presbyterian Church, with visitation from 10-12:00. Burial will follow at Lake Park Hills Cemetery.

To sign the online guest book, visit www.memorychapellaurel.com.

Cemetery Details

Lake Park Hills Cemetery

2806 Emmy Dr.
Laurel, MS 39440

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 27. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Westminster Presbyterian Church
1200 Hwy 15 North
Laurel, MS 39440

Service

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Tribute Wall

SB

“ So loved your mother. We were all blessed who knew her. It makes me happy to remember my times with her.
Meg & Daniel send their love ,too.
Sharon Barham

Sharon Barham - July 02, 2023 at 02:10 PM

PW

“ Nan and Buddy, Nancy was the sweetest woman I have ever known. And she adored both of you. Sending prayers for both of you and your families. Nancy, Joy and Momma are probably having a Coke party right now. Perri Boteler Wood

Perri Boteler Wood - June 29, 2023 at 05:58 PM

JS

“ Nan, Buddy and the entire Duke family, my wife and I are so sorry for your loss. Your mother welcomed me to Laurel along time ago from Youngstown Ohio in pursuit of my coaching dreams at Southern Miss. She treated me like a member of the family. We will always keep her in our thoughts and prayers. Joe and Kim Sefcik.

Joe Sefcik - June 27, 2023 at 09:43 AM

SB

“ Laurel will miss this ion of a godly woman we all loved. Remembering you during this time with love and prayers. Blessed to have had her so long. Cherish those memories!
Sharon Barham

Sharon Barham - June 26, 2023 at 08:29 PM

AM

“ *Nan, I'm so sorry to see this. Your mother was such a joy and on of daddy's favorites!! Sending all our love. Amy Love McGill*

Amy Love McGill - June 26, 2023 at 04:27 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Nancy Yow Duke.*



June 25, 2023 at 07:38 PM

AW

“ *So sorry for your loss. Praying for God's peace and comfort during these days*

Amy and Phil Williams - June 25, 2023 at 01:39 PM

KS

“ *Your mom and grandmother was a precious dear sweet lady. I remember her sweet spirit from many years ago. Lifting your family up in prayer during your loss. May God comfort you in the days ahead.*

Kaye Sartin - June 25, 2023 at 09:58 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Nancy Yow Duke.*



June 25, 2023 at 08:13 AM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Nancy Yow Duke.*



June 24, 2023 at 08:30 PM



“ *Enduring Grace was purchased for the family of Nancy Yow Duke.*



June 24, 2023 at 07:12 PM