



Mary Frazier Long

May 4, 1932 - July 19, 2021

LONG – Retired educator, local author, and humorist Mary Frazier Long, age 89, of Lawrenceville GA, passed away on Monday, July 19, 2021. A Memorial Service will be held at 2:00 PM on Saturday, August 7, 2021 in the Sanctuary of Lawrenceville First Baptist Church, 165 S. Clayton Street, Lawrenceville, GA 30046. There will be a reception in the Fellowship Hall following the service.

Mary was born in Lawrenceville in 1932 to Marvin & Alma Frazier. She grew up, in her words, "going barefoot everywhere" in Lawrenceville. She spent days in her father's store and had her first job at the town cinema, which is now the Tabernacle of Christ church. After graduating from Lawrenceville High School, Mary earned degrees from the University of Georgia and West Georgia College. She taught public school for 34 years. A lifelong advocate for public education, Mary was a former president of the Georgia Retired Educators Association, member of Delta Kappa Gamma, and was appointed to a statewide task force on education by then Gov. Jimmy Carter.

Mary authored many books, including About Lawrenceville and Old Georgia Privies, and she wrote the Road Runner, a column for the Gwinnett Citizen newspaper. She was known as the Lawrenceville historian and she provided

commentary for the Lawrenceville Trolley Tours. Mary was a lifelong, active member of Lawrenceville First Baptist Church where she taught Sunday School for many years. Mary established a scholarship program using proceeds from her books and speeches.

Mary was preceded in death by her husband, William Dean Long, Sr., her parents, and her brothers and sisters. She is survived by her sons & daughters-in-law, William ("Bill") Dean Long, Jr. & Lynn Long of Dacula, and Victor & Ashley Long of Jefferson; 4 grandchildren, Jaletta Long Smith (Andrew), and Felicia, Maggie, and Elijah Long; 5 great grandchildren; and many nieces, nephews, and other family members. The family will receive friends 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM on Friday, August 6, 2021 at the home of Mary & Dean Long in Lawrenceville. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to the Mary Long Scholarship Fund at Lawrenceville First Baptist Church. If you are unable to attend the service, you may join the live stream at <http://www.youtube.com/LFBCWorship> Arrangements by Tim Stewart Funeral Home, 300 Simonton Road SW, Lawrenceville, Georgia 30046. 770-962-3100. Please sign the online guest registry at www.stewartfh.com

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 6. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM.

Home of Mary & Dean Long

memorial service

AUG 7. 2:00 PM (ET)

Lawrenceville First Baptist Church
165 Clayton Street
Lawrenceville, GA

Tribute Wall



“ *Tim Stewart Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mary Frazier Long*



Tim Stewart Funeral Home - August 04, 2021 at 09:46 AM



“ *Mary Frazier Long*

October 08, 2022 at 11:31 AM



“ *Mary was my Sunday School teacher and a friend to our family for many years. I am saddened to hear of her passing but she led such a wonderful, rich life - and help others live theirs too. She will be greatly missed for her humor and wisdom. God bless.*
John & Ashleighe Sexton

John Sexton - August 11, 2021 at 08:21 AM



“ *I was saddened to hear of Mary's passing. She was truly 'one in a million'! I enjoyed getting to know her through her visits to Sikes & Davis, where I work a a couple of days each month. She touched so many lives through her career as a teacher, writer and historian. Lawrenceville and Gwinnett County were fortunate to have her as a resident and a champion. I'll miss her.*

Fran Worrall - August 10, 2021 at 09:37 AM



“ 72 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Tim Stewart Funeral Home - August 04, 2021 at 09:41 AM



“ *The Mary and Dean show will be truly missed. The vivacious Mary and dry wit Dean would always entertain, inform and warm you whenever you were fortunate to cross paths. It was fortunate for LaNe' and I both that Mary, Dean and the boys were living in Milledgeville when we moved there. They introduced us to their friends that I'm happy to say, became life long friends of ours. Uncle Richard made sure to keep us up to date on Mary and her adventures when she returned to her beloved Gwinnett County. She recently lead us all in celebrating the life of her cousin Larry Peevy and her warmth and story telling is helping me celebrate her life as well.*

Carneth (Butch) Goff - August 03, 2021 at 03:58 PM

AN

“ So sorry to hear of your lost of a dear love one. She was a friend to everyone always had a smile and a friendly word even if she had just meet you, as was the case with me. As a retired education, I pray that I have a rich and fulfilling life as she did. May God bless you and keep you in the days ahead.

*Annie S. Ingram, President
Hancock County REA
Sparta, GA 31087*

Annie - August 03, 2021 at 10:33 AM

NK

“ Mary could light up a room with her stories as well as she could delight readers with her columns full of news and history about Gwinnett County. She absolutely could take any topic and make her audience cry with laughter. It was my pleasure to meet Mary through the Gwinnett County Retired Educators Association, one of many organizations in which she served as president at both the local and state level. We will miss her dearly.
Nita Hallford Killebrew

Nita Hallford Killebrew - August 02, 2021 at 11:39 AM

DM

“ Mary was a special, long time friend of mine and my late husband, Reid. She was a natural at becoming friends with everyone she met, and did so by making them feel valued and loved. I treasure Mary's flair for writing, story telling, and making others laugh. I appreciate Mary's time and talents she shared with her friends in the Gwinnett Retired Educators Association. Her leadership legacy will be everlasting.
Deloris Mullins

Deloris Mullins - July 31, 2021 at 08:14 PM

KP

“ Mary was an amazing lady, a true Gwinnett treasure. Like Celestine Sibley and so many others, her legacy will endure. It was a privilege to get to know her years ago with my late husband Mark and to have a chance to enjoy her quick wit again this past year. She was a joy and will be missed.

Kelly Herndon Patterson, the family of Al Herndon

Kelly Herndon Patterson - July 27, 2021 at 03:00 PM

RD

“ I am so sorry that I will miss Mary’s celebration of life service. Mary and Dean were a tremendous support of Grace Arbor at FUMCLV . They provided so many fun and entertaining programs for our participants! Their Don, Dean and his band, The Wild Heard blessed us as well. Lawrenceville is a better town because of Mary Long! May her family feel God’s peace and comfort and blessings!
Robin Dill

Robin Dill - July 26, 2021 at 03:10 PM

GC

“ Mary was my sweet, sweet friend. We graduated together. She was in my wedding. She left us too soon, but the memories will live on.
Grace Cain

Grace Cain - July 24, 2021 at 09:11 AM

CL

“ Mary will be missed. Her smile and humor always warmed the room. She made a difference in lives of many people. My prayers go out to all of her family and friends that they may find comfort.
Cecelia Landress

C Landress - July 23, 2021 at 10:10 PM

KA

“*Mary was a wonderful person, indeed. When my father (her brother) passed away in Tennessee, she handled all of his funeral arrangements on behalf of my mother, and had a loving remembrance reception for the family in her home. My daughter, Mary's great-niece, is now a teacher and she couldn't have a better example to emulate than Mary. She inspired so many with her intellect, her drive, her sense of humor; and she has left a legacy that will always be remembered. The world is a better place because she was in it. My deepest sympathy is extended to all the family,*

Kaaren Frazier Andrews

Kaaren - July 23, 2021 at 10:02 PM

VD

“*Miss Mary, my mother Marty Gunn, and Virginia Sharp (Miss Virginia) were best friends in Newnan. They had so much fun together, constantly laughing and joking. I cannot think of any of them without remembering the laughter. From them, I learned how to be a good friend.*

I will now miss my mother, Miss Virginia, and Miss Mary. The world has lost three wonderful, kind, loving women. I am comforted by knowing they are together now, laughing and joking again. Best friends.

Vivian Dunn

Vivian Dunn - July 23, 2021 at 06:59 PM

PK

Mary was such a special friend who I loved so much. She spoke at my father's funeral Horace Love and my husband Billy's funeral. There will never be such a kind loving and funny friend as Mary. I miss her so much. God Bless the family in their loss.

Pat Kerlin - July 24, 2021 at 03:24 PM

MH

“ *Mike and I are so sorry. What an amazing woman💔💔
We will keep you all in prayer. Jaletta, what an awesome model for you to follow!*

Mike and Robin Higley - July 23, 2021 at 04:07 PM

DL

“ *My memories of Mary Long all involve laughter. She was a marvelous speaker and no one wanted to follow after she did her part. She was also a welcome addition to our Puppet Shows and a great friend and co worker. She will be missed.*

Dianne Lockwood

Dianne Lockwood - July 23, 2021 at 02:57 PM