



Mrs. Mary M. Humphrey

July 20, 1931 - June 9, 2014

Mary M. Humphrey of Bear Creek Road, Leicester passed away Monday, June 9, 2014.

Born in McAlister, OK in 1931, she was daughter of the late Attorney Frank D. McSherry and Mary Clinton McSherry, an Oklahoma educator. She was also preceded in death by a brother, Frank D. McSherry.

She received a BS Degree in Elementary Education from Oklahoma University in 1953 where she was a member of the Alpa Delta Pi sorority and went on to receive a Masters in Elementary Education in 1957.

Mary, along with her husband, Jerry, a retired veterinarian, moved to Asheville in 1957. She was involved in Junior Woman's Club, Abernathy Methodist Church and was a Cub Scout den mother. After her three sons began school, she accepted a teaching position at West Buncombe Elementary and remained until her retirement in 1992. She was a beloved teacher by her second grade students as well as her peers. Mary was an active member of NCAE, the Buncombe County Teacher Center and served on several committees.

Her survivors include her husband, Dr. Jerry A. Humphrey; three sons, Jay of Carrboro, NC, Thomas of Asheville and Frank (Susie) of Fountain Inn, SC; three grandchildren, Zack, Ryan and Jed; two brothers, Jim (Addie) of Houston, TX; Walter of Spartanburg, SC; sister, Ann of St. Louis, MO and numerous nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Buncombe County School Foundation.

A memorial service will be held 3:00 PM, Sunday, July 20, 2014 in the chapel of Morris Funeral Home, 304 Merrimon Avenue.

Cemetery

Events

Private

JUL 20 Memorial Service 03:00PM

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Chapel of Morris Funeral Home
304 Merrimon Ave., Asheville, NC, US, 28801

Comments



“ A tribute video has been added.



Morris Funeral Home - July 17, 2014 at 01:23 PM



“ Mary is a legend at West Buncombe Elementary School! I learned more of the joy of teaching from her resounding laugh and her ability to put it all into the best perspective. She has been dearly missed since the day she retired. May God be close to your family in your loss!

Lorraine Griffith - July 19, 2014 at 10:18 PM



“ Dr. Humphrey, Jay, Tom & Frank,
I was so saddened to hear of Mary's passing. She was such a wonderful person! She was always so gracious and kind whenever I saw her and remains so in my memory. Please know my thoughts and prayers are with you all and may God help you through this difficult time.
Patti Derteen Reece

Patti Reece - July 19, 2014 at 05:42 PM



“ Mary was one of a kind!! I loved teaching in second grade with her. She was a great mentor, friend, and an amazing teacher.

I am so sorry for your loss.
With love,
Debra Coleman Brown

debra brown - July 19, 2014 at 04:15 PM



“ My deepest sympathy. Mrs Humphrey was my most favorite teacher. I had her when I was in the third grade. Her laughter and passion for life was so vibrant; she was truly a blessing. Thank you for sharing her with so many of us kids.
Sincerely,
Sissy Carmack

Rene' Brooks - July 18, 2014 at 07:38 PM



“ Jerry, Jay, Tom and Frank,
We were saddened to hear of Mary's passing. It was wonderful to see Doc and Mary at Mom's memorial luncheon in May. Little did we know that Mary would leave you in just a few weeks. It is comforting to know that she and Mom are there together! Love to all of you! Bernie and Barbara Hyatt Poole

Barbara Poole - July 18, 2014 at 05:57 PM



“ Jay, Tom, Frank, and Dr Humphrey: I have not seen you folks since around 1967, when we moved from West Asheville, but I sure do remember you, and your wonderful mom. I can still hear your mom laughing to this day, and when I ride by your old house in Malvern Hills, I still think of it as your house.

I'm truly sorry to hear of Mary's passing. She was one of a kind, for sure.

I'd love to see you all again one day. I've been back in West Asheville for about 28 years.

Bruce McGee

Bruce McGee - July 18, 2014 at 10:36 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mrs. Mary M. Humphrey.



July 17, 2014 at 09:16 PM



“ I am so sorry for your loss. Although, I do not know your family personally, I would like to share some encouraging thoughts from the Bible. The Bible provides comfort during these difficult times. Revelation 21:3-4 states, And he will wipe out every tear from their eyes, and death will be no more, neither will mourning nor outcry nor pain be anymore. The former things have passed away. Very soon now, we will never experience losing our loved ones in death and we will be able to see them again once they resurrected as per John 5:28-29. May these words give you a new hope.

Ana - July 05, 2014 at 02:08 PM



“ 1 file added to the album Humphrey Family



Morris Funeral Home - June 24, 2014 at 11:16 AM