



Mrs. Mary Louise Fawcett

August 10, 1918 - May 8, 2010

Mary Louise Fawcett, 91, passed away Saturday, May 8, 2010 after a period of declining health at Emerald Ridge Rehab and Care Center. She was surrounded by her loving family.

Mrs. Fawcett was born August 10, 1918 in Person County, NC to Carl and Gertrude Wilkerson Hester. She graduated from East Carolina Teachers College, and she taught in the Asheville City School System until her retirement in 1982. Mary Louise was a charter member of Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church and she was also a member of the Army Signal Corp. She was an avid swimmer and reader, a world traveler and she loved her garden, birds, and the beach, especially at sunrise. Mary Louise was well defined by her love of her Savior, her love for nature, and the delight she took in her family.

Mrs. Fawcett was preceded in death by her husband of 29 years, James R. Fawcett, Sr. and five brothers and sisters.

She is survived by her children; J. Richard Fawcett, Jr. and his wife, Margaret of Leicester, Jon H. Fawcett and his wife Janet of Weaverville, Jeffery C. Fawcett and his wife Jane of Charlotte, NC, her daughter Mary Ellen Fawcett of Lake Junaluska, and a brother, W. Bernice Hester of St. Louis, MO. Surviving also are grandchildren, Matthew and Lindsay (Richard), Jonathan

and Emily (Jon), Ryan, Allison and Ben (Jeff), and two great grandchildren; Cheyenne (Lindsay) and Emma (Matthew) and a number of nieces and nephews.

The family would like to say a special thank you to Becky Stradley for all of her help and support to them and Mrs. Fawcett.

A funeral service will be held on Tuesday, May 11, 2010 at 3:30 PM at Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church with the Rev. Mark Ramsey officiating. The family will receive friends at 2:00 PM at the church prior to the service. Interment will follow at Riverside Cemetery.

Flowers will be appreciated and accepted, but for those wishing to make a memorial contribution, the family has requested those to be sent to ABCCM, 30 Cumberland Ave., Asheville, NC 28801.

Cemetery Details

Riverside Cemetery

53 Birch Street
Asheville, NC 28801

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 11. 2:00 PM - 3:15 PM (ET)

Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church
789 Merrimon Avenue
Asheville, NC 28804

Service

MAY 11. 3:30 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Mary Louise Fawcett*

October 07, 2023 at 11:15 AM



“ *My mother, Lucille Berry Whitt, graduated with Mary Louise from Hurdle Mills High School in 1935 and there are now only 3 remaining from their class. I was blessed to meet her when mother and I visited her in Asheville a year ago. She was a sweet lady who I know will be greatly missed. Our sincere sympathy to all the family. Sandra & Lucille Whitt - Roxboro, NC*

Sandy Whitt - May 15, 2010 at 11:30 PM



“ *Dear Family,
Mrs. Fawcett was an amazing woman and the epitome of a good neighbor. She was present in my life for my entire childhood - always outside working in the garden, telling stories about her travels, staying active. But what I remember most about her is her constant interest in my life. She'd listen when I'd come over and (probably terribly) play her piano. She always sent birthday cards, even through college. She consistently inquired about and fully supported my work abroad. Mrs. Fawcett was a strong and independent woman to me.*

My deepest sympathy to you all upon her passing. She will be greatly missed and always remembered.

*With love,
Jennifer Murphy*

Jennifer Murphy - May 12, 2010 at 08:59 AM



“ *Family,
Mrs. Fawcett was my favorite teacher at the old Rankin School in the early 70's. I still remember her talking about her pet rabbit. Just last week I ran across my old school papers and found where she had made little notes to me. Over the many years we would run into each other while shopping and we would always catch up on things. She was a special teacher and a wonderful person. My prayers are with the family.*
Conda Painter

conda Painter - May 11, 2010 at 08:01 PM



“ *Jeff,
Deepest sympathy to you and your family. You were blessed with such a kind, special person for a Mom. You are in our prayers, Mike House and family*

Mike House - May 11, 2010 at 11:04 AM



“ *Jeff & family,
It is so hard to find soothing words at a time like this. Please know that you are in our prayers. And knowing you Jeff, I would say that Mary did a fine job of not only raising her family but raising them to know God. You have really been blessed to have such a mother.
Your Brother In Christ
Blair Cordell*

Blair Cordell - May 11, 2010 at 10:43 AM



“ Jeff & family,
I send you my deepest sympathy in the passing of your dear mother. While I didn't know her personally, I am sure that she was a wonderful person because I know what a fine man you are. Please know that my thoughts are with you and your entire family during this difficult time. May God's embrace and love comfort you in the days ahead.
Sincerely,
Luanne Finch (Wix)

Luanne Finch - May 11, 2010 at 09:39 AM



“ Dear Jeff, Jane, Allison, Ryan, and Ben and to all your family,
Please accept our deepest condolences in the passing of Mrs. Fawcett. We have her in our prayers as well as all your family members who will miss her. With much love and sympathy, Hal, Catherine, Christopher, Eliza, Stephanie and Erica

Hal and Catherine Harris - May 11, 2010 at 08:48 AM



“ Jeff,
I was saddened to learn of your mothers passing. PLease know we will keep your family in our prayers.
Tommy McMahon

Tom McMahon - May 11, 2010 at 05:12 AM