



Mrs. Val Booth Johnson

October 1, 1929 - December 25, 2011

Val Booth Johnson, died on Christmas Day at her daughter, Diane Wilbanks', home in Atlanta, Georgia.

The daughter of the late Willis Ray and Bess Booth, Val Doris Booth was born in Lynch Kentucky, in 1929. She was preceded in death by her husband, Victor Lynn Johnson of Trentville, Tennessee, who died in 1989.

Val was Valedictorian at Lynch High School and attended Western Kentucky University. After her marriage to Victor, they lived in Augusta, Georgia and were associated with Bower's Thrift Stores. Val was an active member of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Resurrection, sang in the church choir, and in the Augusta Choral Society. After moving to Asheville in 1969, she was a member of Saint Mark's Lutheran Church, and the Asheville Country Club. Val also supported a number of other community and philanthropic organizations; in particular, Asheville Buncombe Community Christian Ministry (ABCCM), the Asheville Symphony, Asheville Community Theatre, the Southern Appalachian Repertory Theatre and the Gardeniers. She enjoyed relationships in a wide network of friends and acquaintances, loved attending musical and theatrical productions, traveling, and cooking. She loved to play bridge, Rummicube and card games of many sorts. She was an avid collector and teller of jokes. She will be especially remembered for her joy and zest for life, her kindness and generosity, and her love for her grandchildren, family

and friends.

Val is survived by her children: son, Kirk Johnson and his wife, Martha, of Eppenheim, Germany, daughter, Vicki Fritsch and her husband, Ed, of Raleigh, and daughter, Diane Wilbanks, and her husband, Marlan, of Atlanta, GA; sister, Mona Ely and her husband, George, of Lexington, KY; and five grandchildren; Lauren Seiple, Sarah and JT Fritsch, Julia Johnson and Madie Wilbanks.

A memorial service will be held at 2:00 p.m. Thursday, December 29, 2011 at Saint Mark's Lutheran Church at 10 N. Liberty St., Asheville, NC. Rev. Chris Webb will officiate. The family will have a private burial prior to the memorial service. A reception will follow the memorial service at the Asheville Country Club. In lieu of flowers, it is requested that memorial gifts be made to the Asheville Buncombe Community Christian Ministry, 30 Cumberland Ave., Asheville, NC 28801, and Saint Mark's Lutheran Church, PO Box 8608, Asheville, NC 28814.

Morris Funeral Home, 304 Merrimon Avenue, Asheville is assisting the family. Condolences may be sent through the website at www.morrisfamilyfuneralhome.com.

Previous Events

Service

DEC **29** (ET)

St. Mark's Lutheran Church
10 N. Liberty Street
Asheville, NC 28801
<http://stmarkslutheran.net/>

Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Val Booth Johnson*

October 07, 2023 at 11:15 AM



“ *Vicki, Diane and Kirk,
I was so sad to hear of your mom's passing on Christmas day. I
remember coming to your house in the 6th grade and she was
always smiling and so funny! You guys will be in my prayers. Vicki, it
was so good to see you at the reunion. You are a hot mama!
Love you,
June Brookshire*

June Muse Brookshire - January 04, 2012 at 11:59 AM



“ *Dear Kirk, Diane and Vicky,*

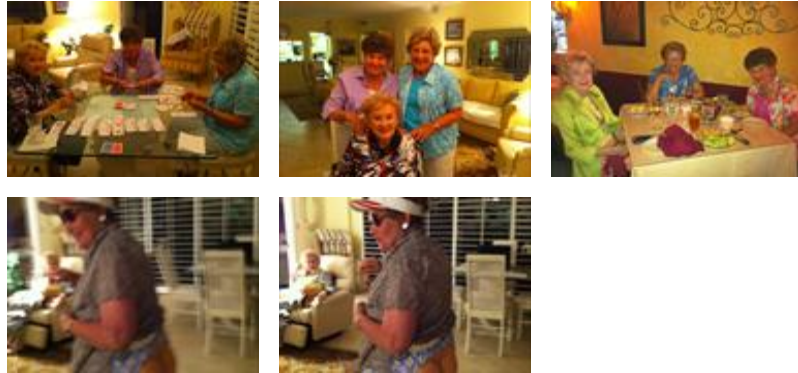
*Your mom always had a smile for me and was one of the nicest
people I have ever known. She was my favorite of my mom's
friends. Bless you all.*

David Frankel

David Robert Frankel - December 29, 2011 at 05:06 PM



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Stephen Barton - December 29, 2011 at 09:19 AM



My Mother, Nelda Barton-Collings, loved Val just like a sister... She has enjoyed her company since they were roommates and best friends in college, at Western Ky University. She always made us laugh and will be missed by all those whose lives she touched. She was truly an angel from heaven, and an extraordinary lady. We love you, Val...

Stephen Barton - December 29, 2011 at 11:18 AM

SC

“ *I am so thankful to have had the chance to meet and get to know Val a little bit the past couple of reunions. She was a great lady. God rest her soul.*

Sherry Creighton - December 28, 2011 at 10:03 AM

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“ My favorite memories are of our growing up together. We were so close and did most everything together. We studied, dated together, even went to college sharing a room and majored in music. It was fun and we just laughed all the time. My husband used to say our elevators didn't go to the top floor! He grew up with us too! So many good memories. I will miss Val. He Christmas card just arrived today.

Helen Davis - December 27, 2011 at 11:11 PM

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“ Val was a generous, thoughtful, kind and funny lady. We will all miss her terribly.

Nancy Dean Boone - December 27, 2011 at 05:19 PM

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“ Nancy Dean Boone lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Val Booth Johnson



Nancy Dean Boone - December 27, 2011 at 05:17 PM