



Jacolyn Rawlins Smith

April 19, 1933 - May 20, 2021

Jacolyn (Jackie) Rawlins Smith of Griffin passed away on May 20, 2021, at 88. The daughter of the late Thomas E. and Eva Clower Rawlins of Stone Mountain, Georgia, she was a graduate of Stone Mountain High School and Georgia College for Women in Milledgeville. After completing her college course work, she moved to McRae, GA for student teaching where she met and married Jack Clinton Smith, Sr. After moving to Griffin in the late 1950s, the couple raised two sons, Clint and Andy Smith. Mrs. Smith taught school for the Griffin-Spalding County Schools for over 30 years. Most of those years were at Third Ward Elementary where she taught her initial group of children and later the children of those early students. Teaching was a big part of her heart, but she also had many other loves. She was an avid gardener and a great lover of flowers and nature. Jackie was also an excellent seamstress, a great cook and the baker of delicious desserts. Her cross stitch creations were works of art and grace the homes of her children and grandchildren. She also treasured all the years long friendships she had in her chosen hometown of over 60 years. Her greatest love was for her family. She was a devoted wife, a caring mother for her children, and a caretaker for her parents. As time progressed she welcomed her daughters-in-law with open arms and adored each grandchild and great-grandchild. She never missed a birthday or other milestone. As the family matriarch she offered unconditional love, support, and advice if requested.

Mrs. Smith was a member of First United Methodist in Griffin. In her

retirement, she enjoyed lunches with her close group of friends, visiting with her family, Georgia football games, long walks for exercise, and working in her gardens.

Mrs. Smith was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Jack, her son Clint, and her brother Richard. She is survived by her son and daughter-in-law, Andy and Zan Smith and her daughter-in-law, Bonnie Smith. She is also survived by her beloved grandchildren: Justin, Leah, Hunter, Kyle, Westbrook, Miranda, Nicholas and Ashlyn Smith and her great-grandchildren: Summer, Easton, Graham, and Griffin. She is also survived by her brother-in-law Larry Smith and his wife Charlene, sisters-in-law Betty Rawlins and Shirley Smith and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral Services for Mrs. Jacolyn Rawlins Smith will be held on Sunday, May 23, 2021 at 2:00PM at First United Methodist Church. Dr. John Mattox will officiate. Burial will follow in Oak Hill Cemetery. Friends may visit with the family on Saturday, May 22, 2021 from 6-8Pm at the funeral home.

Haisten McCullough Funeral Home, 1155 Everee Inn Road, Griffin, Ga. 30224 is in charge of arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Oak Hill Cemetery

Memorial Dr.
Griffin, GA 30223

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 22. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Haisten McCullough Funeral Home
1155 Everee Inn Road
Griffin, GA 30224
(770) 229-4994
<https://www.haistenmcculloughfunerals.com>

Service

MAY 23. 2:00 PM (ET)

First United Methodist Church
1401 Maple Drive
Griffin, GA 30224

Tribute Wall



“ *Jacolyn Rawlins Smith*

October 07, 2023 at 09:35 AM



“ *She was a very sweet lady. I enjoyed talking to her at Curves. She always had a smile on her face and always asked me how I was doing. When she stopped coming to Curves it was so different in the mornings. I really missed talking to her. So sad to read that she has passed away. So sorry for your mother's passing.*

cndy ramsey - May 23, 2021 at 07:54 PM



“ *Andy, I am so sorry to learn of your precious mother's death. I loved her very much. We were on the same team of teachers at Taylor Street Middle School. You can bet I heard a lot of bragging about her boys. She was so proud of her family. I have been almost homebound for several years and had not talked to her in a while. I was not aware that Clint had passed away. I am almost 84 and have to depend on someone else to drive me. I wish I could have been at the service. PLEASE know that she was much loved by generations of students*

Emily Wilson - May 23, 2021 at 04:35 AM

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“ *The receptionists at Powers Ferry Animal Hospital purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Jacolyn Rawlins Smith.*



The receptionists at Powers Ferry Animal Hospital - May 22, 2021 at 10:47 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Jacolyn Rawlins Smith.*



May 21, 2021 at 04:30 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Jacolyn Rawlins Smith.*



May 21, 2021 at 03:48 PM