



## Patricia Byrd

July 22, 1937 - January 17, 2018

Patricia Lee Smith Byrd, Age 80, passed away, Wednesday, January 17, 2018 after a brief illness. She was born July 22, 1937, in Mansfield, Georgia, to the late William Ernest and Mary Shinholster Smith. Pat moved to Macon and there met the love of her life and husband of 62 years, the late Bobby Shell Byrd. They were married June 1, 1955.

Mrs. Byrd attended Norman College where she graduated with honors in 1963. She continued her education at Mercer University graduating in 1965 with a BA in English. Though her life was devoted to her children, Patricia completed a Master's Degree in Psychology, 1985, from Georgia College and State University. She was a member of First Baptist Church of Milledgeville, several book clubs, and dedicated to Animal Rescue.

Patricia is survived by her son, Rodney Byrd; daughter, Marde (Glenn) Ray; sister JoAnn Smith Colston; grandchildren, Matt (Taylor) Ray, Jared Ray, and Rachael Ray; great grandchildren Abigail and Lily Ray; and she will be missed by those faithful friends she leaves behind: Doris and Doyle Boyd, Caregivers Erma Hall, Mary Ritchie, and Tonya Wilson. Many thanks for their care to the staff at Pine Point Hospice.

Memorial Contributions may be made to Pine Point Hospice or to the Animal Rescue Foundation.

A Celebration of life will be held at the Black Springs Baptist Social Hall,  
Saturday, January 27, 2018 from 2PM to 4PM.

# Tribute Wall



“ 43 files added to the album Life Tributes



Williams Funeral Homes and Crematory - January 26, 2018 at 11:15 AM

BB

“ Rodney and Marde. I'm so sorry for the loss of your dear Mother. She and your Dad were a wonderful team and I will miss them both. I pray that God will grant you peace and comfort during this time.

*Bobby Brown*

Bobby Brown - January 23, 2018 at 11:11 AM

EB

“ Rodney, Marde and Family, my sincere sympathies for all you've had to bear in these last few months, losing two loving parents, grandparents, great-grandparents. Kind and decent human beings, both Mr. and Mrs. Byrd. One day at a time, and call on your family and friends when needed to help you through this.

Eric "Buck" Buckley - January 22, 2018 at 07:51 PM

JO

“ Rodney I am so sorry about. Your sweet mom. Will talk to you later.

Love, Joyce Hudson



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**Joycehudson35@gmail.com** - January 22, 2018 at 07:36 PM

NH

“ So sorry to hear about your Rodney, our hearts go out to you and your family. You are in our prays Norma and Fundy

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**Norma Ham** - January 20, 2018 at 03:22 PM

LM

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Luther & Berta and Friends at Johnnie McDade Grocery.



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**LUTHER MINOR** - January 20, 2018 at 08:43 AM



“ Debbie Pounds lit a candle in memory of Patricia Byrd



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**Debbie Pounds** - January 19, 2018 at 08:07 PM

WC

“ Rodney, Marde and Family,  
We are so sorry for the loss of your mother. Our thoughts and  
prayers are with you as you go through this difficult time.  
With Love, Gary and Wanda Chambers

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**Wanda Chambers** - January 19, 2018 at 07:38 AM

MC

“ We are praying for you all! Love, Kell, Melena, and Kelsey  
Carpenter and Mary Frances Courson.

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**Melena Carpenter** - January 18, 2018 at 07:41 PM



“ Sorry for your loss prayers



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**Angie Cooler** - January 18, 2018 at 07:17 PM



“ Terry Hardie-Smith lit a candle in memory of  
Patricia Byrd



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**Terry Hardie-Smith** - January 18, 2018 at 05:15 PM

JH

“ Rodney I am so sorry to hear this.your mom was a sweet lady and I loved her dearly.I am really glad I got to spend some time with them.I really enjoyed cooking for them when I was there.you had the sweetest mom and dad.I will never forget them.my condolences to you and your family.

Judy Hudson - January 18, 2018 at 05:15 PM

JV

“ John And Darendia Veal lit a candle in memory of Patricia Byrd



John and Darendia Veal - January 18, 2018 at 04:51 PM

NH

“ Dear Rodney and Marde,  
You have my sincere condolences on the loss of your mother. Pat was a wonderful lady and will be missed greatly. I am honored to have known her during the years when you were students in Baldwin County.

Nancy Hodge - January 18, 2018 at 04:48 PM

LB

Rodney & Marde, so sorry for your loss. Your parents were so proud of you both, they wanted only the best for you & made sure that was, we were friends since Marde & Tracey we're 2 yrs old, what wonderful times we had. We would visit them at the YDC an they visited us at Ga College faulty apts. we had some great times, ur Mom was always the kindest, gentle friend & I will treasure that forever, Bobby was a genuine soul, so kind, caring, made Tracey a name puzzle, repaired her broken red rocker, that was Bobby, our family feels blessed to have them in our life, Pat & I also went to see the Nutcracker & then dined at El Amigo, will cherish those fond memories forever🙏

Lucille Byram - January 18, 2018 at 06:15 PM

AM

*Dear Rodney and Marde,  
Christian sympathy is expressed regarding the recent death of your mother. She was a dear friend of ours. I always appreciated the fact that she had time to visit and I loved hearing about the most recent poetry she had read or written. Her life was dedicated to her husband, children, and grandchildren. She loved them all dearly. It was a joy to know her for over 40 years and we will treasure the great memories we have had of shared times.*

*God be with you in this time of sorrow and adjustment.*

*Arlene & Dick Mueller*

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**Arlene Mueller** - January 21, 2018 at 09:30 PM