

## Phyllis Benson

October 7, 1939 - March 31, 2017

Mrs. Phyllis Reese Benson, age 77, passed away on March 31, 2017. Funeral Services will be held on Tuesday, April 4, 2017 at 11 AM at Hardwick Baptist Church in Milledgeville with Rev. Bill Kitchen officiating. Interment will be at the Georgia Veterans Memorial Cemetery.

The Family will receive friends at Hardwick Baptist Church on Tuesday from 10 AM until the service hour.

Mrs. Benson was a native of Laurens County and had made her home in Milledgeville. She had retired from Central State Hospital and enjoyed reading, spending time with her family, cooking and collecting cook books as well as communicating with her friends and sharing inspirational messages and Bible verses on Facebook. Mrs. Benson loved her family and enjoyed her grandchildren. She was a member of Hardwick Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, William Lyman Benson; her parents, Lillian Ellington Stuckey and Johnny Lawson Reese, Sr.; and her brother, Johnny Lawson Reese, Jr.

Mrs. Benson is survived by her son, Craig (Suzanne) Benson of Pooler; daughter, Lauren (Jeff) Deen of Milledgeville; grandchildren, Mallory (Corey) Jones, Logan Benson, Alexis Sucher, Mallory Sucher, Drew Deen, and Joel

Deen.

She is also survived by a number of Aunts, Lois Crowder, Grace McEachern and Sue Weaver of Dublin, Ga; Joyce Jones of Macon, Ga and Eloise Hester of Hephzibah, Ga; many cousins and a number of nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, individual snacks, treats and drinks are requested for the cancer patients at the Cancer Treatment Center at Oconee Regional Medical Center in Milledgeville, Ga. For more information, please contact the Cancer Treatment Center directly at 478-453-1806.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 4. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Hardwick Baptist Church  
124 Thomas Street  
Milledgeville, GA 31061

## Service

APR 4. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Milledgeville, GA 31061

# Tribute Wall

EM

“ So sorry to learn of Lyman and Phyllis' deaths. She and I were friends for many years, including Facebook. May God let them share good health now as He takes them into His fold.

Eleanor Martin - May 06, 2017 at 11:40 AM



“ May God bring you all comfort during this difficult time. Rev 21:3,4

Candice Lango - April 05, 2017 at 05:16 AM

GK

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you.  
Much love, The Kuehn Family  
Keith, Gina, Kevin and Kristin

Gina Kuehn - April 04, 2017 at 05:14 PM

KN

“ Sorry to hear of your loss. Your family will be in our prayers.

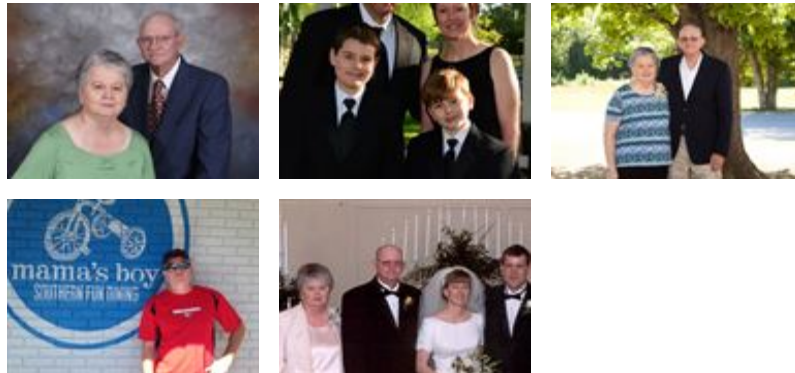
Carolyn, Karen Nolan



Karen Nolan - April 04, 2017 at 11:31 AM



“ 34 files added to the album Life Tributes



Williams Funeral Homes and Crematory - April 03, 2017 at 01:42 PM

LM

*sending prayers and much love* ❤️

**lisa sheppard massari** - April 03, 2017 at 09:20 PM



*Lauren, Craig and family,  
We are keeping you all in our prayers during this tremendous time of loss. Your Mom and Dad are united in Heaven and are now your guardian angels. Please know that you all are in our heart felt thoughts and prayers.*

*Sincerely,  
Shirley Grant and Mary Ann Grant-Scott*

**Mary Grant-Scott** - April 04, 2017 at 02:02 AM

KH

“ *Lauren, Craig and family,*

*Our thoughts and prayers are with you during the loss of your parents. May God bless your families with strength and peace.*

*Kenny Horton*

**Kenny Horton** - April 03, 2017 at 01:17 PM

WF

“ *Lauren and family,  
I am so sorry that you are once again  
experiencing loss. Please know that you are  
in our prayers. As you walk this path, you are  
not alone.*



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**Wanda Fitzgerald** - April 03, 2017 at 09:49 AM

DD

“ *My memories of my dear and closest friend spans over nearly 50  
years. We shared a bond that will be with me forever. She faced her  
battles with faith, hope, and cheerful spirit. What a tribute to her life.  
I can only hope I can follow her lead when faced with trials &  
tribulations which come to us all during the journey of life. My  
feelings of hurt and loss cannot compare with those her family is  
having. My prayer is that we can both focus on our precious  
memories of Phyllis to help fill the void left in our lives. She certainly  
demonstrated the way to face our trials through her handling of  
difficult times with grace, love, hope & faith. What an amazing spirit  
she displayed. These are hard shoes to fill. I am thankful I was able  
to be with her during the time of her greatest loss, her biggest  
supporter & beloved Lyman, who was faithfully by her side. That is a  
tribute of a real bond. Phyllis will remain in my heart and thoughts  
forever. I thank her for being my friend and always there for me  
even during her most difficult times. She never failed to  
contact me when she knew what i was facing. That is a the real  
meaning of a true friend*

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**Doris Daniel** - April 03, 2017 at 09:02 AM

LM

“ Sorry for your loss. O Pur thouhgts and prayers are with you.  
For every precious memory this brings a wish for peace.  
Luther & Berta and Friends at Johnnie McDade Grocery.



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**LUTHER MINOR** - April 03, 2017 at 07:47 AM

MB

“ I am a nurse at Oconee Regional who had the sheer pleasure of meeting your Mom and Dad recently. In the course of one of our conversations, we discovered Doris Prosser, who was their neighbor, is also my Aunt. She loved them as much as they seemed to love her. All of my patients are special to me, but every now and then there is that one who never leaves your thoughts and leaves a lasting imprint on your heart. She was that one for me. She had such a sweet spirit and the time we spent together and sweet conversations we had will always hold a special place in my heart. Although the time I knew them both was short lived, I thank God for the blessing they both were to me. May they both rest in peace with Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ....may that reassurance as well as the thought of them reuniting in Heaven bring peace to each of you now and in the days to come. Sending my love, prayers, and condolences to the family and friends of Mrs. Benson.

*Melissa Belcher*

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**Melissa Belcher** - April 02, 2017 at 09:50 PM

JD

“ *Julie, Robby And Will Deason lit a candle in memory of Phyllis Benson*



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**Julie, Robby and Will Deason** - April 02, 2017 at 08:18 PM

LD

“ *Craig, Lauren and Family my heart goes out to you ! How do you condense such a beautiful woman into mere words ? She was the epitome of a Christian woman. She was a shining star among stars. She celebrated life , holidays , milestones with gusto. Sunday's were so special, and she put out such a wonderful spread of food ! She was happiest when her family was happy. She provided for her family in all ways, and she served as an example for young women. I feel privileged to have known her and for my children to have been raised around her. She was always even tempered and kind. She represents what is good and wholesome and worthwhile, God and family.*

*Lisa Davis*

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**lisa davis** - April 02, 2017 at 05:13 PM

BT

“ *Craig, Lauren and Family.  
So sorry to hear about Phyllis. We have been friends since High school. She was a wonderful person and will be missed. My deepest sympathy.*

*Bettye Tomlinson*

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**Bettye Tomlinson** - April 02, 2017 at 02:02 PM

KB

“ Sorry for your loss.

Karen & Kenny Babb - April 02, 2017 at 07:23 AM

LY

“ So sorry for the loss of a great Christian lady. You will be missed Phyllis. I know you're in the loving arms of our Lord Jesus Christ. Rest in in peace my friend.



Lois & Garvis Youngblood

Lois Youngblood - April 02, 2017 at 06:28 AM

AW

“ Craig, Lauren & family,  
Miss Phyllis was one of the most thoughtful loving people I have ever known. I am lucky to have called her family. I know it has been an incredibly heartbreaking month, my thoughts and prayers are with you!  
Love, Alissa Wilson

Alissa Wilson - April 02, 2017 at 02:50 AM

KB

“ So sorry to hear about your Mother. My prayers are with you.

Kay B Brown - April 01, 2017 at 10:20 PM

AT

“ Lauren... So sorry to hear about your Mama. She was a special friend to me. I will miss her dearly. Love to all..take care. 💕

Anne Tierney - April 01, 2017 at 08:31 PM

JB

“ Craig and Lauren, we are deeply saddened to learn of your mother's passing. As difficult as it is, you can find peace in knowing that Phyllis has now found comfort in the arms of our Lord Savior. We will keep you and your family in our thoughts and prayers.

Joe and Joyce Bellflower - April 01, 2017 at 08:27 PM

WA

“ Craig, Lauren, and family, We are so sorry for your loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Love, Gary and Wanda Chambers

wanda - April 01, 2017 at 08:18 PM

JH

“ Lauren, I am sorry to hear about your Mom. Praying for you and your family

Jeff Hill

Jeff Hill - April 01, 2017 at 08:14 PM

SH

“ So sorry for your loss. I did ms phyliss hair for several years. Always enjoyed our talk and her recipe ideas.

sherry - April 01, 2017 at 07:57 PM

NL

“ Nita Lawrence lit a candle in memory of Phyllis Benson



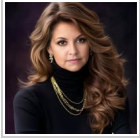
Nita Lawrence - April 01, 2017 at 07:17 PM

PP

“ so sorry to hear about your mother Craig. I only knew her thru f/b but she was so sweet and funny. I know she loved you very much!!!!!!

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**Patsy Jerry Potter** - April 01, 2017 at 07:14 PM



“ Please know that you all are in our thoughts and prayers during the days ahead.

*Casey and Judy Jackson Youngblood*

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**Judy Jackson Youngblood** - April 01, 2017 at 04:41 PM