

In Loving Memory of

Barbara Ann Collier

December 18, 1943

April 12, 2011



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Saturday • April 16 • 2011 • 11:00 A.M.

Pleasant Grove Cumberland Presbyterian Church
2094 Compton Road
Athens, Alabama 35611

Pastor John Jude *Officiating*



Barbara Ann Collier

A L I F E S C U L P T E D F R O M G O D ' S L O V E

Barbara Ann Collier was born on December 18, 1943 in Athens, Alabama to John Robert Collier Sr. and Eunice Louise Benford Collier. She grew up in the Antioch Presbyterian Church and became a Christian while still in high school. Barbara graduated from Trinity High School and received her Bachelor Degree from Alabama A&M University in Business Education and English. She earned a Master's Degree in Biblical Counseling and a Doctorate Degree (PhD) in Christian Thought. She was also a Licensed Real Estate agent and a Licensed Private Airplane Pilot. She was the private pilot for Reverend, Dr. Gillette O. James at Beth Eden Baptist Church in Oakland, California.

After graduating from college, Barbara began her career with the Federal Government, Atomic Energy Commission in Oak Ridge, Tennessee. From there she continued with the Federal Government in Albuquerque, New Mexico, San Francisco, California, Washington, D.C., Oakland, California, and Atlanta, Georgia. She retired in 1999 after 34 1/2 years of service.

After retiring, Barbara utilized her doctorate degree in Christian Thought and Biblical Counseling by opening a Counseling Office at the Lawrence County Baptist Association and served as a Therapist with the Tennessee Baptist Convention. She also served as Professor of Counseling at the American University of Biblical Studies in Atlanta and as a volunteer on the Chaplain's staff at the Veterans Hospital in Nashville, Tennessee.

She counseled at the women's prison in Rockdale County, Georgia, the men's prison in Clifton, Tennessee and taught a session of Pastoral Counseling in Mexico.

Barbara retired to a 25-acre farm in Lawrenceburg, Tennessee where she raised beef cows, was a photographer, quilter, and lovingly hosted family and friends. She enjoyed giving dinner parties, traveling and gardening. Her favorite activity in retirement was quilting. Barbara traveled to 17 different countries throughout the world, including China, and traveled to 45 of the 50 states in the U. S. Her greatest joy was the friendship of her friends and family. God surely smiled on Barbara.

Barbara was an active member of the Deerfield Baptist Church in Lawrenceburg and most recently joined the Pleasant Grove C. P. Church in Athens, Alabama. She is survived by her husband Charlie Collier of Lawrenceburg, Tennessee; daughter Tracey Baker and son-in-law Nicky Baker of Flovilla, Georgia, two grandchildren, Ivana and Dion; her mother, Louise Collier; sisters Sherrye, Julia, Connie, Gloria, Valerie, Shelia, Carol, and Gina; brothers John and Jerauld; brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, cousins, nieces, nephews, uncles, aunts, and friends.

She loved the Lord with all her heart and trusted him completely.

Order of Service

Prelude Great Is Thy Faithfulness
Cece Winans (Recorded)

Processional Ministers and Family

Scripture Reading...Romans 8:28-39 Reverend Caulyne Hayden
Associate Pastor
Pleasant Grove CP Church

Prayer of Consolation Reverend Caulyne Hayden

Musical Selection..... Choir

Reflections (2 minutes each)..... Family & Friends

Obituary *(Read Silently)*

Reflections..... Dr. Ray Maynard
Former Director of Missions
Association of Baptists
Lawrenceburg, Tennessee

Musical Selection..... Choir

Eulogy Reverend John Jude
Pastor
Pleasant Grove Presbyterian Church

Recessional Troubles of the World
Mahalia Jackson (Recorded)



The Fruit of the Spirit

*My mother is a Christian,
In every important way;
The fruit of the Holy Spirit
Is displayed in her every day.
My mother is filled with kindness,
With love and joy and peace;
Her patience and her goodness
Inspire, and never cease.
She follows our Lord Jesus
With faithfulness, and more;
She's gentle and has self control,
She knows what prayer is for.
Thanks, Mom, for being a Christian,
And showing me how to be;
I'll follow your example
For all eternity.*

By Joanna Fuchs

Romans 8:28-39

28 And we know that all things work together for good, to them that love God, to them who are the called according to His purpose.

29 For whom He did foreknow, He also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the first-born among many brethren.

30 Moreover, whom He did predestinate, them He also called: and whom He called, them He also justified: and whom He justified, them He also glorified.

31 What shall we then say to these things?

If God be for us, who can be against us?

32 He that spared not His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things?

33 Who shall lay anything to the charge of God's elect?

It is God that justifieth:

34 Who is He that condemneth? It is Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again, who is even at the right hand of God, who also maketh intercession for us.

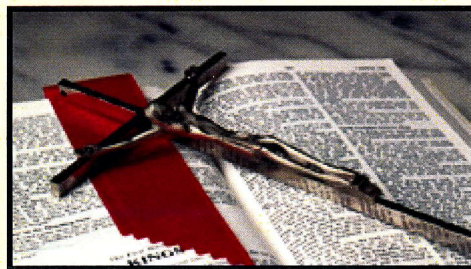
35 Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

36 As it is written, for thy sake we are killed all the daylong; we are accounted as sheep for the slaughter.

37 Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors, through Him that loved us.

38 For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come,

39 Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.



Pallbearers

Trinity High Class of 1961

Honorary Pallbearers

Thomas Collier

James Collier

Luke Collier

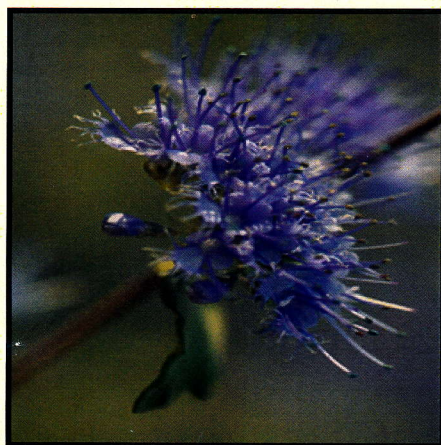
Van Collier

Fred Benford, Jr.

William Fletcher

Flower Attendants

Trinity High Class of 1961



Acknowledgement Statement by Family

The family of Barbara Ann Collier would like to thank all of you for your acts of kindness and expressions of sympathy during our time of deep sorrow.

Special Thanks to People's Funeral Home, Pleasant Grove Presbyterian Church,
Family and Friends

Interment

Thatch Mann Cemetery

After the interment, the family will receive friends for
dinner at the Pleasant Grove Presbyterian Church.