



Farrar M. Atkinson

June 15, 1937 - January 15, 2021

Farrar Atkinson of Lawrenceville, GA passed away on Friday, January 15, 2021. She was predeceased by her parents, Hazel and Virgil Atkinson. She is survived by her daughter, Stefanie and husband, Dale Brown; her granddaughter, Christy Sharple; grandson, Caleb Chambley; three great-grandsons, Ashton and Jonah Sharple and Wyatt Chambley; sister, Louise Atkinson Phillips; nephew, Mark Phillips and wife, Teresa; great niece, Jordan Phillips Stringer; great nephew, Connor Phillips; and many cousins. Farrar graduated from Lawrenceville High School in 1955 and Mercer University in 1961, having majored in psychology. She was in the United States Peace Corps from 1962-1964, when she taught biology at Manila High School. Mercer University nominated her for the 1965 edition of Outstanding Young Women of America. Her varied career included social work with the Department of Family and Children's Services, supervisor of Appleton Church Home for teenage girls in Macon, GA, supervisor of outpatient services at Cape Cod Hospital in Hyannis, MA, commission sales with Sears and later in real estate. Farrar was a published author, mostly fictional short stories, and received awards for many of them from Southeastern Writers Association. She was a member of the Gwinnett Historical Society, Rock Springs United Methodist Church and prior member of Level Creek United Methodist Church. Visitation will be Wednesday, January 20, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. prior to the memorial service at 1:00 p.m. in the Chapel of Flanigan Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Peace Corps in memory

of Farrar Atkinson.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 20. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Flanigan Funeral Home
4400 S. Lee St.
Buford, GA 30518
(770) 932-1133
<https://www.flaniganfuneralhome.com/>

Memorial Service

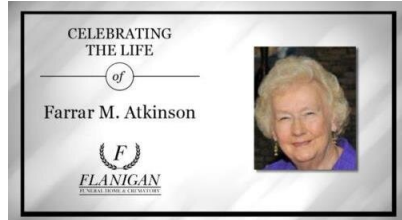
JAN 20. 1:00 PM (ET)

Chapel of Flanigan Funeral Home

Tribute Wall



“ *Flanigan Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Farrar M. Atkinson*



Flanigan Funeral Home - January 19, 2021 at 12:53 PM



“ *Farrar M. Atkinson*

November 08, 2022 at 07:37 PM



“ *I want the family to know that Farrar was the star of our Peace Corps group. There were 70 of us who went to the Philippines. Farrar was outstanding in the way she went above and beyond teaching by forming an arts group with her high school students. They raised money and attended plays and concerts. As you know, they kept in touch with her until recently. This did not happen with others in the Peace Corps group. She was truly amazing.*

Eva Ingle

Eva Ingle - February 08, 2021 at 09:22 AM

PH

“ *Peggy McNally Hurley lit a candle in memory of Farrar M. Atkinson*



Peggy McNally Hurley - February 05, 2021 at 04:10 PM

PY

“ MY HEART WAS SADDENED WITH THE LOSS, I KNOW WE ALL FELT SO AT FARRAR'S HOMEGOING! SHE AT REST WITH UNCLE VIRGIL AND AUNT HAZEL, SO MANY OTHERS AND RECENTLY WITH UNCLE JOHNNY ! I KNOW WHAT SHE MEANT THE SHE MEANT TO MY MOM HOW MUCH SHE LOVED HER SO I KNOW SHE WAS GLAD SHE TO SEE HER & BE TOGETHER AGAIN! STEPH, IM GOING TO MISS OUR PHONE CALLS, LUNCH DATES, I'M SO GLAD WE WE'RE ABLE TO HAVE SOME TIME BEFORE COVID HIT LAST YEAR!!

ONE THING IS FOR SURE, JUST AS REBA MENTIONED, FARRAR HAS ALWAYS BEEN THE MATRIARCH TO KEEP US INFORMED, UPDATED AND IN THE KNOW WITH OUR FAMILY! I CAN ALWAYS REMEMBER THE ADMIRATION MY MOM ALWAYS FELT TOWARDS HER COUSIN!! AS EMILY ALWAYS MENTIONED "WHAT A SMART LADY SHE WAS"! YES, AS YOU MENTIONED THE ANGEL SHE WAS, SHE WAS LOVED BY MANY FOR HER GIVING CARING AND SELFLESS SPIRIT!

SHE IS GOING TO BE INCREDIBLY MISSED!! 🥹🤔
OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS GO OUT TO YOU ALL, NOW & IN THE DAYS AND WEEKS AHEAD cUZ! ❤️

*Richard, Paige Yancey
& our entire McDowell family*

****Found, love and remember the day this picture was made of mom and FARRAR. They were always getting together to throw get togethers lunch or birthday parties for their mom's aunts, uncle's just like they did in this picture!****



Paige Yancey - January 30, 2021 at 09:45 PM

CG

“ *Stephanie, my thoughts and prayers are with you all. Farrar was very special to my mom, Gloria (Ann)... and we spent many many days at her house for informal gatherings...a meal... hanging out... and yes playing scrabble! I have a lot of fond memories of your mother. She will be missed. Thank you for sharing this to those who could not be there. - Candice (Moore) Groves*

Candice Groves - January 23, 2021 at 09:48 PM

AJ

“ *Have you ever met someone and knew they'd never leave you? Well, that's how I felt when I met Mrs. Atkinson, or fondly known as Granny. When she gives you her attention, it's not just her attention that she gives. She gives you her all, and that's heavily sugarcoated with kindness, compassion, true thought and care. She was genuine and truly wanted to hear everything you had to say. She may not have been much of a hugger, but her love will never be forgotten by those who knew her. She'll always live on through each person's she's given her life to, each person who has known her, each person she's still with. Her vessel may no longer be here, but she'll remain forever in our hearts. Mrs Atkinson is unforgettable. She'll live on as an angel and keep close watch as always and ever before. Goodnight, Mrs. Atkinson. You'll not be forgotten. Thank you.*

Abel Jones - January 20, 2021 at 06:42 PM



“ A sympathy card was purchased for the family of *Farrar M. Atkinson*.



January 20, 2021 at 06:36 PM



“ Amber Buhler lit a candle in memory of *Farrar M. Atkinson*



Amber Buhler - January 20, 2021 at 08:45 AM



“ 2 files added to the album *Memories Album*



Roli Abucay - January 20, 2021 at 08:44 AM

RA

“Farrar (Ate Far) gave my wife Mae and me an unforgettable grand tour of her hometown of Gwinnett County and area when we visited her in 2017. She showed us around including the Freeman’s Mill Park, Alcovy River, Alcova Baptist Church, and Gwinnett County Historic Courthouse. She showed true Southern hospitality beating the Filipino hospitality by miles. We will miss her down to earth grace and humility.



Roli (student of Farrar's at Manila High School class of '65) and Mae Abucay

Roli Abucay - January 19, 2021 at 04:06 PM

KW

“Our thoughts and prayers are with your family during this time

Kate Webster - January 19, 2021 at 10:43 AM

CS

“Your family is in my prayers. Charlesa Stewart

Charlesa Stewart - January 18, 2021 at 08:24 PM

LS

“Lynn S. purchased a sympathy card for the family of Farrar M. Atkinson.



Lynn S. - January 18, 2021 at 02:29 PM



“ *Darlene Louisa lit a candle in memory of Farrar M. Atkinson*



Darlene Louisa - January 18, 2021 at 02:27 PM



“ *Dear Farrar: I am sure we crossed paths in past years; thank God that I reconnected with you about 3 years ago. What a joy and a treasure you are. You will light up heaven with your little bell-laugh; all our loved ones will enjoy your fabulous stories. You have been a guiding light, an inspiration, and one of the most positive souls I have ever known. I look forward to seeing you again.*

Darlene B. Lauth/Second Cousin

Darlene Louisa - January 18, 2021 at 02:27 PM



“ *I met Farrar in 1977 at Parents Without Partners. She was always a loving caring person with a positive outlook on life. She was very talented in so many ways. I will miss her.*

jenny - January 17, 2021 at 07:35 PM

RO

“ We will miss long conversations and laughs with Farrar. She was a very giving and loving friend and quite the storyteller. She will always remain in our hearts. Our deepest sympathy to Stefanie and her family and Louise and her family. We enjoyed our travels with Farrar and cherish many good memories.

Rod and Jean Literte

Rod was a student of Farrar's at Manila High School



Rod - January 17, 2021 at 06:56 PM

SP

“ *Farrar was a special woman, who lead an amazing life.*

Suzanne Phillips - January 17, 2021 at 06:33 PM

JJ

“ *Jan Jones lit a candle in memory of Farrar M. Atkinson*



Jan Jones - January 17, 2021 at 12:58 PM

DG

“ *Dianne Glosson lit a candle in memory of Farrar M. Atkinson*



Dianne Glosson - January 17, 2021 at 12:55 PM

GR

“ *Such sweet memories of Farrah growing up at Alcova ❤️ We had a trio and she sang beautiful tenor..Love to all Gladys Rawlins Roberts*

gladys roberts - January 16, 2021 at 02:06 PM

LP

“ *Larry Puckett lit a candle in memory of Farrar M. Atkinson*



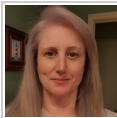
Larry Puckett - January 16, 2021 at 09:32 AM

DG

Love and prayers are extended to all of the family and friends of Farrar.

Ray & Dianne Glosson

Dianne Glosd - January 17, 2021 at 12:53 PM



Farrar brought happiness to so many. She will be greatly missed. May you carry the wonderful and sweet memories of her in your heart forever. With our deepest sympathy...Ed and Amber Buhler

Amber Buhler - January 20, 2021 at 08:55 AM

BA

No words can express the sorrow we feel on Ate Far's passing. We feel for the family. We will surely miss you our kaibigan. Condolences



Bernie & Myrna Argao

Bernie Argao - January 20, 2021 at 01:02 PM