



## JoAnn Hobby Wallace

May 5, 1932 - September 1, 2020

JoAnn Hobby Wallace, 88, of Buford, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, September 1, 2020, after a long and wonderful life. JoAnn was born May 5, 1932 in Ashburn, Georgia to Clyde Redding Hobby, Sr. and Maureen Stephens Hobby. She was preceded in death by her dearly-loved husband of 56 years, William Buice Wallace, her parents Clyde and Maureen Hobby, mother and father in law, Garland Ray and Ruth Buice Wallace, siblings Clyde R. Hobby Jr., Joyce Stevens Engle, and Royce Hobby. She is survived by her children, Billy Wallace, Joy Wallace Ledford, son-in-law Rodney B. Ledford, Grandchildren Benjamin H. Crane, Emily R. Crane and Nicholas C. Henry, several nieces, nephews, and cousins. JoAnn grew up in Ashburn where she was the Ashburn High School state debate champion and played with the state winning basketball team. She attended Mercer University, and was a member of Alpha Delta Pi sorority. JoAnn and Buice met there and married in 1952, and lived in Ft. Worth Texas for a few years where Buice was stationed in the U.S. Airforce. Afterward, they moved to Buford to join the family business, N.W. Buice & Company, an apparel store located in historic downtown Buford. Buice and JoAnn dedicated their life's work in the store until their retired in 1986. After which they enjoyed traveling, working in the yard, as well as providing merchandise displays for various local businesses. JoAnn was an avid reader and loved her books for many years. She was an active member of First Baptist Church in Buford, the Upper Room Sunday School Class, Abundant Life Fellowship, The Silvertones Choir, several bridge

clubs and the Red Hat Club. The family would like to acknowledge much appreciation and love to her dedicated and wonderful in-home caregivers, who have lovingly cared for her since 2014. In addition, we want to extend our deepest gratitude to the caring and accommodating team at Brandi Crowe Salon in Buford. A Graveside Service will be held at Broadlawn Memorial Gardens on Friday, September 4, 2020 at 4:00 p.m. with Pastor Wayne Johnson officiating. The family will receive friends on Friday, September 4, 2020 from 2:30-3:30 p.m. at Flanigan Funeral Home, Buford, GA.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to No Longer Bound, 2725 Pine Grove Road, Cumming GA 30041 or on their website [nolongerbound.com](http://nolongerbound.com), or St. Jude's Children's Hospital at [stjude.org](http://stjude.org). in memory of JoAnn H. Wallace.

# Previous Events

## The family will receive friends

SEP 4. 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM (ET)

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

## Graveside Service

SEP 4. 4:00 PM (ET)

Broadlawn Memorial Gardens  
5979 New Bethany Rd  
Buford, GA 30518

# Tribute Wall



“ *JoAnn Hobby Wallace*

November 08, 2022 at 07:37 PM



“ *I just stumbled across this tonight, and it brought up so many Happy memories of my visit to Buford and to “Buice’s Store” as we called it. Buice and Joann were 2 of my favorite people. I know they are missed.*

**Suzi Buice Morgan** - April 12, 2021 at 09:31 PM



“ *Joy, Ben, and Emily: We are so sorry to find out about JoAnn’s passing away. She was a lovely lady, always so friendly, loving and hospitable. Our lives were blessed by knowing JoAnn. We pray for God’s comfort to surround all of you now and in the coming weeks. It isn’t easy, but be assured that she is in her Heavenly Home. Take care. Love, Ed and Elizabeth Mullins.*

**Elizabeth Mullins** - September 04, 2020 at 02:55 PM



“ *Your, AHI Family purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of JoAnn Hobby Wallace.*



**Your, AHI Family** - September 04, 2020 at 09:19 AM

CS

“ JoAnn was the epitome of a true southern lady. Her faith, style and grace will never be forgotten. I was blessed to have been Joy's roommate at Mercer and Buice and JoAnn welcomed me in their home as family. I fondly remember the trips to the store and the family suppers that always had laughter even when we brought a colored bunny home to Bill.

When i moved up here JoAnn made a point of passing on Southern traditions. I'll never forget her dressing up my daughter Kylene and Emily in their Sunday finest and taking Joy & I and our girls to the doll show at Parsons.

JoAnn loved her children , her grandchildren and her friends with all her heart Nothing however will ever compare to the great love story of JoAnn and Buice. I know they are both reunited in Heaven and joyous in the Glory of God..

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**Cindy Skibitsky** - September 04, 2020 at 09:07 AM

 Zach  
White

“ So Thankful for the life of our Cousin JoAnn. So much of my Childhood with my Grandmother and Granddaddy John Ray and Gertrude Buice in Buford was spent with Buice and JoAnn. I can't think of a more positive and Joyful Person in Buford. Georgia. I have a yard full of Daylilies in my yard JoAnn gave me many years ago at my home in Jasper and I will think of her often when they bloom. Bill, Joy and Family you are in our thoughts and Prayers. Love Zach White and Family

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**Zach White** - September 03, 2020 at 09:15 PM

EC

“ Joy, Bill, and Family,  
Christmas Mornings, Easter Pictures, and  
Pool Parties.  
All the wonderful memories makes us who we  
are and she was such an important part of it!  
The memories will never be forgotten!  
Love Always, Ed & Ted



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**Ed Fox & Ted Carter** - September 03, 2020 at 05:45 PM

LA

“ Joy your mom is beautiful. Sorry for your loss but how great it is to  
finally have peace.

*lauren*

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**Lauren** - September 03, 2020 at 11:50 AM

MP

“ Thinking of and praying for you all during this difficult time.

*Misty Pace*

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**melissa pace** - September 02, 2020 at 08:33 PM

HG

“ Joy and Bill, I am so sorry for your loss. I wish I could be with you to  
celebrate a life well lived. Makes me smile to think of her reunited  
with Buice. Your folks were such a big part of my life. I have such  
wonderful memores from N.W. Buice & Co. Hugs and prayers for  
peace during this time of loss. I so appreciated her attending Dad's  
service. Love you, Holli Gorrell

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**Holli Gorrell** - September 02, 2020 at 05:37 PM

BW

“ We are so sorry to hear of your Mom's passing. Our community certainly mourns with you. Our town was so much richer with her, Buice and all of your family in it. Shopping at the store way back when was always such a treat. What beautiful people!! Lots of memories! We sure have lost one of Buford's finest gems and what a treasure your Mom was to all of us. With Heartfelt and Deepest Sympathy to you and your family, Brenda Crowe & James West

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**Brenda Crowe West** - September 02, 2020 at 02:29 PM



Deborah Everett

“ JoAnn was always so nice and friendly to me. She was a beautiful lady inside and out. I'm so sorry for your loss. Deborah Wallis Everett

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**Deborah Everett** - September 02, 2020 at 11:15 AM

GG

“ I have enjoyed for I'm sure over two years, most Mondays, reading the Upper Room Sunday school class newsletter to your mother. She always made sure that she told me that she really appreciated me doing that. She was a special lady. You both are in my prayers, Grace Graves

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**Grace Graves** - September 02, 2020 at 10:16 AM

SM

“ Our deepest sympathy to your family. From the Ricky Marshall Family

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**Sudan Marshall** - September 01, 2020 at 09:55 PM

LL

“ What rejoicing there must be in heaven today! Ms. Jo Ann left a lasting impression and was an inspiration over the past few months I was privileged to get to know her! Such a beautiful well lived life ! She so loved her family with every fiber of her being and prayed for them daily “ Lord, bless my family in Jesus name”! I particularly enjoyed the stories of an absolutely love filled marriage and family the memories of their extensive travels..... and believe me she got more “ Jeopardy “ questions right than anyone I know! For the family I know you must grieve , however I hope there is comfort in knowing she’s reunited with loved ones and where we hope to all go one day! “ To be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord”! Somehow with all the rejoicing in heaven I just know in my heart she’s happy reunited with her loved ones on the other side. I hope she’s dancing❤️

Lemma McFarland Livingston - September 01, 2020 at 09:35 PM

SJ

“ Shirley ‘owens’maddox- Jones lit a candle in memory of JoAnn Hobby Wallace



shirley ‘owens’maddox- jones - September 01, 2020 at 09:04 PM

RW

We are so saddened to learn that JoAnn has passed away but we have the assurance that she is with Buice and so many family members who have gone before. We will all be with her again and were all blessed to have JoAnn, Buice, Bill and Joy and so many others as a loving part of our family for so long here on earth. May God bless those who remain behind and help them to feel His Peace at this time. We loved her so very much. So many wonderful and happy memories. With all our love. Rene Buice White, Larry White, Zach, Loretta, Machenzie & Samantha and Zane, Heidi & Layla

Rene White - September 03, 2020 at 02:42 PM

SJ

“ So sorry to here about Joann I did her hair at times I worked on Main Street and on Hamilton mill rd and open my own shop on hog mountain road her and Buice were such nice people. I also shop at their store. She will be missed

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**shirley 'owens'maddox- jones** - September 01, 2020 at 09:03 PM

JD

“ Joy, Bill and Family , I am so sorry for the loss of your Mother. JoAnn .. She has always been a beautiful friendly lady and leaves many memories in the City of Buford and with me. Prayers and Sympathy for all of you.  
Love,  
Jan B. Davis



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**Jan B Davis** - September 01, 2020 at 07:36 PM

PP

Joy, Bill and Family.....My thoughts and prayers are for you during this time. LOVE YOU

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**Pat Pirkle** - September 03, 2020 at 03:24 PM

CM

Joy, Bill & family.... I only found out about your mothers passing this morning and am unable to attend her visitation or service, but I wanted you to know how much my Mother and I LOVED your mom (and dad). They were so good to all of us, and spoiled my kids rotten when they were small. She was a Buford icon, and I am sure she will be sorely missed by all whose lives she touched. I love you. - Carol Staton Martin

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**Carol Martin** - September 04, 2020 at 01:45 PM

MW

So sorry about your mom's sudden passing. She was a beautiful lady. You have my love and sympathy.  
Mary Ann Wood

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**Mary Ann Wood** - September 04, 2020 at 07:19 PM

SG

*Joy, so sorry to hear about Joann's passing. My thoughts and prayers are with you*

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**Susan Whitley GREESON** - September 06, 2020 at 11:37 AM