



## Carolyn Ward Pursley-Shell

September 6, 1933 - May 2, 2019

Carolyn Ward Pursley-Shell was born in Coweta County on September 6, 1933. Her parents were the late H. E. and Emma Ward. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband and the father of her children, James M. Pursley, Sr. Later in life, she was married to William Harmon Shell for almost seven years until his death in 2010. Carolyn retired from International Playtex; having worked there for 25 years. Carolyn is survived by her children, Jennie Pursley Gillihan, Laura Pursley Cash (and Tommy), James M. "Bo" Pursley, Jr. (and LeeAnne). Her grandchildren are Rebecca Stone McCullough, Megan Lynn Stone, Jason (and Katie) Cash, Taylor (and Ansley) Cash, Brogan (and Quint) Batson, Keegan H. Pursley. There are 11 great grandchildren. Friends and family will gather at McKoon Funeral Home at 38 Jackson Street on Monday, May 6th beginning at 10:00 AM for a time of visitation and sharing memories. Her life will be celebrated at a service in the McKoon Chapel at 11:30 AM to be led by Reverend David Patrick, Pastor of Elim Baptist Church. Interment will follow at historic Oak Hill Cemetery. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.mckoon.com](http://www.mckoon.com). McKoon Funeral Home 770-253-4580.

# Cemetery Details

## Oak Hill Cemetery

96 Jefferson Street  
Newnan, GA 30263  
(770) 253-3744

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 6. 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

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## Service

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# Tribute Wall

JR

“ Have a lot of great memories visiting out at the farm with your mom, your father Jimmy, Big Joe, Aunt Ethel, Mama Pearl, and all the rest of the family. This is where we experienced churning butter, turning the ice cream maker, wondering around the "indian graves", and later fishing the ponds.

*Aunt Carolyn and all of you are part of our fantastic and loving childhood memories.*

*Love to all.*

*John Robertson  
Tampa, Florida*

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**John Robertson** - May 07, 2019 at 07:43 PM

JG

*Oh John, all those those things mean so much to us, too. I got your voicemail and havent had a chance to call you yet...I will! Thank you for your post. Love, Jennie*

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**Jennie Pursley Gillihan** - May 08, 2019 at 08:04 PM



“ Aunt Carolyn was such an amazing person and always loved everyone who knew her. Her and mom would always have fun together as would say She will be truly missed



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**Jim Robertson** - May 06, 2019 at 03:42 PM



*I would also like to say My wife Cheryl and I want to send you our deepest condolences and prayers for your family members @this time We love you all and will miss her Bo Jenny and Laura and your family members*

**Jim Robertson** - May 06, 2019 at 06:40 PM



*Thank you so much, Jim. Mom certainly loved you and always kept us up to date on how you were doing. Love to you and your family.*

**Laura Pursley Cash** - May 06, 2019 at 09:09 PM



*Hey Jim! Thank you so much for this. Momma sure loved Parsy and all of you guys and loved it when we could all get together. Good times...much love to you and your whole family. Jennie*

**Jennie Pursley Gillihan** - May 07, 2019 at 09:12 AM



*“ Wilburn Prickett lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Ward Pursley-Shell*



**Wilburn Prickett** - May 06, 2019 at 01:59 PM



*I worked with Carolyn at Playtex for 25 years she was a very nice lady. I enjoyed working with her she will be missed*

**Wilburn Prickett** - May 06, 2019 at 02:07 PM

RM

“ Thoughts and prayers for all of you 🙏❤️.  
Robin Barron Mann



Robin B. Mann - May 06, 2019 at 09:38 AM

MS

“ Jennie, Megan and families, I'm so sorry for the loss of your mother/grandmother. I will keep you in my thoughts and hope that each day brings you a little less pain and a little more peace. HUGS!!!

Marcia Smith

Marcia Smith - May 06, 2019 at 08:53 AM

JG

Marcia, thank you so much. Don't know what we're going to do without her. Miss you! Jennie

Jennie Pursley Gillihan - May 07, 2019 at 09:14 AM

LB

“ My prayers are with the family due to the lost of your mother and grandmother. She was a special lady. She brought a smile every time I saw her. Even when she was not feeling well. I will miss her, she was a super friend and client. She was not afraid of change as long as her hair looked great. I will miss her at the salon. Rest well Carolyn.

Lisa Bartley - May 05, 2019 at 08:42 PM

LC

*Thank you, Lisa, for taking care of mom's hair after I retired from the salon. You are right; she could face anything as long as her hair looked good! Thanks, Laura P. Cash*

**Laura Cash** - May 05, 2019 at 09:12 PM

JG

*Lisa, totally agree with everything Laura said. Tjat hair HAD to look good...and you a great way of doing that for her. Thank you for everything, Jennie*

**Jennie Pursley Gillihan** - May 07, 2019 at 09:16 AM

JF

*“ My family and I send our sympathy and prayers to Carolyn's family during this sad time.  
I can remember all the good times myself and Carolyn had playing together at my grandmothers house. I regret I lost contact with her after I moved to South Carolina.  
May the Good Lord wrap his comforting arms around her family and bring comfort and peace. Jackie Ward Forrester*

**jackie forrester** - May 05, 2019 at 05:50 PM

LC

*Thank you so much, Jackie.*

**Laura Cash** - May 05, 2019 at 09:15 PM

JG

*Hi Jacki! This is Jennie, Carolyn's eldest. Momma had mentioned to me several times over the last year that she wondered what had happened to you. It's been years since I've seen you, but oh my how I loved Aunt Ora and Uncle Jack! Too many beloved family members gone. Thank you so much for the memory of Mama Pearl and the prayers. Much love, Jennie*

**Jennie Pursley Gillihan** - May 07, 2019 at 02:25 PM

JW

“ So sorry for y'all's loss. Prayers going 🙏 .  
Jeff Westbrook

Jeff Westbrook - May 05, 2019 at 03:36 PM

LC

Thank you for the prayers, Jeff.

Laura Cash - May 05, 2019 at 09:18 PM

BF

I am so sorry and so shocked to read of Nanny's passing. You all will be in my prayers. Nanny was one of a kind special lady! Hugs to you all from Ms. Brenda

Brenda Freeman - May 06, 2019 at 03:22 PM

LC

Thank you so much, Brenda.

Laura Pursley Cash - May 06, 2019 at 09:11 PM

BW

“ Laura, my thoughts are with you at this sad time.



Bobby and Geraldine Welch - May 05, 2019 at 08:03 AM

LC

Thank you so much, Ms. Geraldine.

Laura Cash - May 05, 2019 at 09:15 PM