



## Elizabeth Ann Shumake

June 6, 1936 - September 10, 2021

Elizabeth "Liz" Ann Shumake, 85, of Sharpsburg, GA entered life on June 6, 1936 and stepped from Piedmont Newnan Hospital into the heavenlies on Friday, September 10, 2021. Liz was born in Oxford, PA to the late Franklin Reynolds Stroud & Edna Dorothy Ramsey Stroud. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her brother, Richard Stroud.

Liz grew up in Oxford, PA and was a 1954 graduate of Oxford High School. She went on to attain a music degree from The Peabody Conservatory of Music of Johns Hopkins University and a nursing degree from Wilmington General Hospital School of Nursing. Though she loved both medicine and music, in the end she decided that music was good medicine and it played a central role in her life. She relished playing cello in multiple orchestras with her pinnacle role being first chair in the Centre Strings Orchestra. She was also an excellent piano and trumpet player, most often using her musical talent to serve the Lord. Liz loved and served her church, Cornerstone United Methodist, in a myriad of ways including participating in one of her favorite outreaches, Red Bird, to help people in need in the Appalachian area. She valued a rich Bible study and spent many years in leadership at BSF (Bible Study Fellowship) helping others know God through His Word.

Liz spent 61 years married to her continuous heart throb & favorite dining partner, Ted. She adored her children and grandchildren and was intimately

involved in their lives leaving a lasting imprint on each one. Though she relentlessly supported the Atlanta Braves, her favorite sporting event was whatever game her grandchildren were playing (mostly soccer). She consistently kept in touch with each child/grandchild through encouraging handwritten letters, often stuffed with cash for whatever was needed. Liz's generosity knew no bounds and she was just as quick to drive an elderly widow on an errand, paint somebody's walls or deliver a hot meal as she was to write a check to one of her many charities. Liz relished a good card game and her spry competitive spirit lent to much bantering back and forth along with deep gut wrenching laughter. Liz's chief joy in life was the matchless love and grace she found in Jesus Christ and she invited folks from all walks of life to go with her to Bible Studies or church so they could know Him too. She staked her life on Philippians 1:21, "To live is Christ and to die is gain."

Liz is survived by her husband, Ted, 3 children & spouses, 10 grandchildren, 1 great grandson, and 3 siblings whose photos fill her shelves and adorn her walls. Her legacy lives on through Teri (children Laura & Allison); Trudy (husband Grant and sons Ian, Nathan, Wesley & Landon); Steve (wife Jenny & children Luke (Liza) Matthew, Andrew & Noah); great grandson, Bennett, (son of Carl & Allison); siblings Kathleen, Yvonne, Denny and a multitude of extended family and friends. She was deeply loved and will be fiercely missed.

We will celebrate Liz's life on Wednesday, September 15, 2021 at 3:00 o'clock at Cornerstone United Methodist Church, 2956 Sharpsburg-McCollum Road, Newnan, GA 30265, with Rev. Dr. Scott Pickering officiating. Burial will follow at Forest Lawn Memorial Park in Newnan. Friends are invited to visit with Liz's family preceding the service on Wednesday from 2:00 - 3:00pm at Cornerstone Church. In Liz's memory donations may be made to The Billy Graham Evangelistic Association, 1 Billy Graham Parkway, Charlotte, NC 28201, Cornerstone UMC Benevolence Fund, 90-F Glenda Trace, Newnan,

GA 30265 or any non-profit that seeks to serve others and share the good news of Liz's friend, Jesus.

Condolences can be expressed online at [www.mckoon.com](http://www.mckoon.com)

McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory 770-253-4580

# Cemetery Details

## Forest Lawn Memorial Park

656 Roscoe Road  
Newnan, GA 30263

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **15**. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Cornerstone United Methodist Church  
2956 Sharpsburg McCollum Road  
Newnan, GA 30265

## Funeral Service

SEP **15**. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Cornerstone United Methodist Church  
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# Tribute Wall

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“ I am in shock! Today is October 16th and I just learned about Liz's passing tonight! No one ever told me about this, and as and as her neighbor for almost 40 years, my heart is breaking!! She was such a strong lady, and was always out walking and joyful! I am sooo sorry for her family's loss. She was a great lady and I am soooo sorry I did not have a chance to say goodbye.

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**Emily Fritchey** - October 16, 2021 at 10:42 PM

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“ I played alongside Liz in the Centre Strings and in other settings. She was always attentive to the music and a good companion. I know she will be missed by many.  
With Sympathy,  
Piper Brown Yin

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**Piper Brown Yin** - October 09, 2021 at 03:46 PM

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“ The very deepest sympathy to all of you. Our lives have been intertwined since Pony Club. Liz taught our 56 year old daughter to play piano when she was small. Ted is the one we still rely on continuously. God bless each of you at this time.

Most sincerely,

Bil and Mary Fowler

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**William and mary Fowler** - September 16, 2021 at 01:52 PM

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“ I've known Mrs. Shumake--sorry, she's always been that person to me--since joining FUMC as a child. (Who knew she had a Peabody education: great preparation for accompanying our little childrens' choir!) She was always faithful in sharing her musical gifts with the church but was never a show in herself; she always performed or participated to give glory to God. I only knew her sporadically since being an adult, but what a legacy she left through her great family and faithful service. She "finished the race" in the way we all want to do!

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Chris Lail - September 15, 2021 at 01:29 PM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Elizabeth Ann Shumake.



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September 15, 2021 at 11:21 AM

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“ Liz has been a dear fixture in our lives since we moved to this area 23 years ago. Her grandson was my son's best friend and she was always at their soccer games cheering them on. She was such a positive influence and and a practical but cheerful person. I always knew how much Liz loved her family and her God. I will miss seeing her riding her tractor and walking up and down the road. She had a strength about her that was something to behold. Losing Liz is a deep loss but I know she is in our Lord's presence now. She was and is much loved.

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Natalie Whitehurst - September 14, 2021 at 04:29 PM



“ *Heartfelt Memories was purchased for the family of Elizabeth Ann Shumake.* ”



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September 14, 2021 at 12:16 PM