



## Suzanne Callaway Shaw

October 5, 1934 - November 25, 2015

Mrs. Suzanne Maria Callaway Shaw, 81, passed away peacefully on November 25, 2015, at Legacy Court at Wellspring of Evergreen in Cincinnati, Ohio, after a long illness. She was surrounded by family.

Born in Penfield, Georgia, October 5, 1934, to the late Rev. Webster Ragan Callaway and Mrs. Estelle Callaway, she spent virtually the entirety of her childhood in Cumming, Georgia.

Mrs. Shaw was preceded in death by her husband, the Reverend Kenneth B. Shaw, who was pastor of Unity Baptist Church in Newnan, Georgia, from 1959-1976, and by her brother, William N. " Billy " Callaway, of Cumming, Georgia.

At Unity Baptist, "Miss Suzanne" was involved in numerous aspects of its ministry and teaching, having a special place in her heart for the church's youth group. She encouraged the development of both the Christmas and Easter outdoor dramas presented by the church. And, in 1973, she was influential in the creation, institution and development of the Unity Mission Trips, an effort of the church that continues today.

Mrs. Shaw was a creative, hands on educator who earned degrees from Truett-McConnell College, Mercer University, and The University of West

Georgia. She served a total of 40 years in elementary schools in Fulton County (Cedar Grove), and in Coweta County, Georgia. As a teacher, her greatest passion was helping her students develop their intellectual curiosity, and encouraging respect for the Earth.

Her many travels abroad reflected her concern for the environment and her commitment to demonstrate and advocate for diversity, tolerance and peace in her daily life.

Mrs. Shaw was a devoted and loving wife, mother and grandmother. She inspired her family with a simple admonition to "Go, do, be!", and to do so with a zeal for the unique, a caring heart for the planet, and an abiding faith in God.

Suzanne Shaw is survived by her children, Mr. Kenneth Shaw, Jr. (Robert) of Cincinnati, Ohio, Mrs. Amelia Whitlock (Edward) of Newnan, Georgia, Mr. Timothy Shaw (Lee), of Johannesburg, South Africa, and Dr. Kyle Shaw (Angelique) of Leesburg, Florida. Also surviving are her grandchildren Allen Whitlock, Ragan Whitlock, Callie Shaw, Anna Shaw, Daniel Shaw, Nathan Shaw, Emily Shaw and Kellen Shaw; and her cherished brother, Dr. Webster Ragan Callaway, Jr, and beloved sister, Mrs. Janice Callaway Wallis, of Rudyard, Michigan.

A public memorial service and celebration of the life of Suzanne Shaw will be held at Unity Baptist Church, Newnan, Georgia, on Saturday, December 19 at 2:00 PM.

There will be a private family internment at Forest Lawn Memorial Park, Newnan.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be sent to The Ragan and Estelle Callaway Scholarship Fund at Truett-McConnell College, Attn:

Financial Aid Office Ragan and Estelle Callaway Memorial Scholarship 100 Alumni Drive, Cleveland, Georgia, 30528. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.mckoon.com](http://www.mckoon.com). McKoon Funeral Home 770-253-4580.

# Previous Events

## Service

DEC **19**. 2:00 PM (ET)

Unity Baptist Church  
311 Smokey Road  
Newnan, GA 30263

# Tribute Wall

CD

“ I have memories of Miss Suzanne working with GA's, taking us to Camp Pinnacle and she and Mrs. Nancy McGuffey going with us to Glorietta, New Mexico. She had a love. She and Preacher Shaw will always have a special place in my heart. I cherish all the times in their home babysitting Ken, Ame and Tim. I love you all and my thoughts and prayers are with you.

*Carolyn Harrington DeFilippo*

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**Carolyn Harrington DeFilippo** - December 18, 2015 at 10:49 PM

VR

“ To those she left behind, there is an empty space that no one can fill. To those that were fortunate enough to have known her, she filled an empty space that no one else could. Her physical limitations are gone and she's flying high again reunited with family and friends that have gone on before her. I can only imagine the celebration going on in heaven right now as she is "catching up" with everyone; she had a laugh that made everyone smile. Heaven has received another angel. Ken, Ame, Tim, and Kyle, our hearts hurt with yours. Love, Valerie Camp Roach

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**Valerie Camp Roach** - December 18, 2015 at 04:19 PM

LS

“ Dear Shaw Family,  
We are so blessed to have known your mom for even a brief time.  
We remember her beautiful voice, bright smile, her always  
encouraging and loving words, and her pride in her family. Many  
thoughts and prayers are with you.  
Love, the Legacy Court Staff

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**Legacy Court at Wellspring Staff** - December 18, 2015 at 03:19 PM

DJ

“ To the Shaw Family,  
Your Mother was a super nice and Godly person. We are so sorry to  
hear of your loss. She is now with your Daddy again, who was also  
a super nice person, and they are happy together. May the Good  
Lord give you Peace, Love and Contentment at this time.  
God loves you and we do too,  
Don and Mildred Jones

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**Don and Mildred Jones** - December 18, 2015 at 02:50 PM

FF

“ I am sorry to hear about Mrs. Shaw. My prayers are with all the  
family.  
Frank Farmer

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**Frank Farmer** - December 07, 2015 at 09:07 AM

DM

“ George and I are so sorry for your loss of Miss Suzanne. She was  
certainly one of the sweetest, kindest ladies I have ever known.  
From what I've been told, in the earlier years, Miss  
Suzanne, Kenneth, Aaron and Hazel Massey were the best of  
friends. Sincerely... Deborah Massey

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**Deborah Massey** - December 03, 2015 at 03:57 PM

ES

“ So sorry for your loss. Love to all the family. Emily Sharp

Emily Sharp - December 02, 2015 at 05:30 PM

LH

“ Louise (Butler) Hall sent a virtual gift in memory of Suzanne Callaway Shaw



Louise (Butler) Hall - December 02, 2015 at 11:38 AM

LH

Amy, I am so sorry about your loss, but her life is just beginning. I cleaned house for your Mom and you and kept your baby. Your Mom reminded me of a beautiful butterfly, always doing something, never still. I think about you all often and wish you all the best life until you meet you Mom on the better side.  
Love Louise (Butler) Hall

Louise (Butler) Hall - December 02, 2015 at 11:47 AM

CI

“ Dear Amy, Tim & families,

Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your entire family in the passing of your dear mother. She is now singing God's praises in Heaven and watching over you all. Her and your dad's many contributions to Unity Baptist Church will always be remembered. May God comfort you during your time of loss here on earth.

Sincerely,  
Cindy Putnam Duke

Cindy - December 02, 2015 at 09:57 AM

BP

“ I have many fond memories of "Miss" Suzanne as we grew up. I think the best part of her will remain with us always in the four of you!! Your accomplishments and your lives are a true testament to her love.

*Beth Spradlin Pitts*

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**Beth Pitts** - December 02, 2015 at 07:04 AM