



## Tabby Lynn Duty

March 2, 1963 - November 24, 2023

Never regret a day in your life: good days give you happiness, bad days give experience, worst days give lessons, and best days give memories. Tabby Lynn Duty was born on March 2, 1963, at Georgia Baptist Hospital in Atlanta. From the onset, it could be said that she hit the ground running every day of her life. Life really handed her some challenges, but she had a knack for compartmentalizing so that the difficult segments of her life did not bleed over into the joyful, playful aspects of the life God gave her. Tabby was gifted with a sharp mind that launched her into successful careers, first, with Headley Construction in Newnan. She would later become an administrative assistant at Alabama and Georgia Power for over 20 years. She spent a total of over 30 years with The Southern Company. Tabby learned the fundamentals of her faith walk early in life. She, like many of the children whose older relatives worked in the textile mills of the time, sought guidance in their lives from the Arnco Baptist Church. Tabby had a deep and abiding faith in her creator. She found opportunities to serve when her children were younger teaching Sunday School and leading the AWANA groups. These opportunities to serve never took her far away from her most important mission – that of raising her children. She was a single parent for many of those years, but she always found a way to work her schedule so that she never missed an important event in their lives. Even as a grandmother, this same desire to be involved and supportive would at times lead her to a long drive to Ohio more than once a month to be the ever-present grandmother she wanted to be.

Tabby faced life with a smile on her face and a song in her heart. Now mind you, that might be a favorite hymn, or it might be a Willie Nelson song. God gave her a special place in her heart for His four-legged creatures. She immersed herself in her volunteer work with pet rescue organizations. Her innately sunny disposition would come to serve Tabby well as she faced the greatest challenge of her life. Despite the cancer that plagued her body, she would never give up without a fight. Her natural survival instincts kicked in because she had a family to love and grandchildren that needed her undivided attention (could also be read “spoiling”).

Up until the very end, Tabby would have crawled if necessary to see her grandchildren’s events. Just holding her head up could have been a problem, but she could still cheer them on heartily. The day came, though, that Tabby had to face the truth that her illness was not going in her favor. When faced with that inevitability, she did it bravely. All that mattered to her was that she wanted to leave this world, not in some hospital, but in her familiar surroundings with the people she adored around her. Prayers were prayed, songs were sung, and stories (true and not so true) were told as God granted her that last wish. On November 24, 2023, Tabby kept her last appointment as God reached down and gently lifted her from her bed, casting off all the sickness and trials of her life here on earth, she walked pain-free into the arms of all the family and friends who had preceded her in death. Surviving Tabby are her children Brittini Jeanine Roden (Bobby) and Robert Kyle Keahey (Kristina). Blessed to have had her for a grandmother are Brooklin Roden and Brynlee Roden. Her surviving siblings are Tara Dawn Green and Robby Lamar Duty. She surely honored her parents Robert and Jeanine Traylor Duty. Her grandparents, Lamar and Bernice Traylor were a significant part of her life and preceded her in death.

Tabby’s life of love and service will be recalled with words and songs on

Saturday, December 9, 2023, at 1:00 PM at her family's home church, Arnco Baptist Church in Newnan GA.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

DEC 9. 1:00 PM (ET)

Arnco Baptist Church  
81 Arnco Third St  
Newnan, GA 30263

# Tribute Wall

TS

“ *Tim Shoemake lit a candle in memory of Tabby Lynn Duty*



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**Tim Shoemake** - December 08, 2023 at 08:45 AM

RD

“ *Tabby and I shared our love of God in our discussions and sharing of great devotionals.*

*Tabby always kept my secrets and I hers.*

*I will and do miss her so very much.*

*Tabby, Peter Pumpkin Tale and the Christmas Angel I gave you will be on my Christmas tree every year!*

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**Robby Duty** - December 06, 2023 at 10:58 PM

SD

“ *Sharon/Thomas Duty lit a candle in memory of Tabby Lynn Duty*



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**Sharon/Thomas Duty** - December 06, 2023 at 09:05 PM

SB

“ Shirley Borders lit a candle in memory of Tabby Lynn Duty



Shirley Borders - December 06, 2023 at 08:35 PM

M8

“ Monica Lester Class Of 81 lit a candle in memory of Tabby Lynn Duty



Monica lester Class of 81 - December 06, 2023 at 03:51 PM



“ Gable Gift Box was purchased for the family of Tabby Lynn Duty.



December 05, 2023 at 04:49 PM

CF

“ Carol Reed and Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Tabby Lynn Duty.

Carol Reed and Family - December 05, 2023 at 04:49 PM

DH

“ I am so sorry for your loss Jeanine. You are in my thoughts and prayers.



Darlene Clark Harper - December 05, 2023 at 04:19 PM

RB

“ Praying for your family.



Rev. BettyJean Bowers - December 05, 2023 at 09:51 AM

LY

“ Lynn Yeager lit a candle in memory of Tabby Lynn Duty



Lynn Yeager - December 05, 2023 at 06:45 AM

JM

“ Joy Morgan lit a candle in memory of Tabby Lynn Duty



Joy Morgan - December 05, 2023 at 12:15 AM

AH

“ Ashley Harris lit a candle in memory of Tabby Lynn Duty



Ashley Harris - December 04, 2023 at 10:32 PM

TP

“Praying for all of you !! Through the years I have had the pleasure of meeting you all. A hair appointment brought this beautiful lady into my life.Fate made us friends. Tabby has found peace with our Lord. Love to all, Tammy Price and Family.

Tammy Price - December 04, 2023 at 10:11 PM

TG

“ Tara Green sent a virtual gift in memory of Tabby Lynn Duty



Tara Green - December 04, 2023 at 10:10 PM

TG

“ Tara Green lit a candle in memory of Tabby Lynn Duty



Tara Green - December 04, 2023 at 09:25 PM

TG

*I miss you so much Big Sis. My heart hurts 💔. I will see you again. What a great reunion. I cherish so many memories I have with you. My first best friend ever. I love you to God and Back. Love Tara Dawn*

**Tara Green** - December 04, 2023 at 10:07 PM

LD

“ *Oh, Jeanine, I'm so sorry to see this. May God bless you and your family. Love to you and your family. Linda Murphy Denney*

**Linda M. Denney** - December 04, 2023 at 07:22 PM

GW

“ *May she rest in eternal peace. My thoughts are with you.*



**Geraldine Welch** - December 04, 2023 at 06:05 PM

RW

“ *So beautifully written and true! Tabby was a dear friend and I was blessed to have reconnected with her in the last year. She was like a big sister to me when we worked together at Headley Construction, and we made so many wonderful memories there. I've followed her journey through her illness and know that she loved God and had put her faith in him through out her fight. Tabby will be dearly missed. I will continue to pray for her family, that God will give you the peace and comfort during the days ahead.*

**Ruth Jones Warren** - December 04, 2023 at 05:51 PM