



Virginia Cass Estes

January 5, 1932 - September 23, 2018

Virginia Cass Estes, 86, of Newnan, GA passed away on Sunday, September 23, 2018.

She was born in Fannin, MS on January 5, 1932 to John Thomas and Bessie Pearl Cass, one of three children. In her early childhood, the family headed east to Georgia, settling in Columbus. She started school and excelled in academics and the years passed quickly. It was in 1949, when she met Clarence Estes at the Four Square Gospel Church and her life would be forever changed. After she graduated from Baker High School in 1950, the couple wed in August of that summer. Initially they made their home in Columbus, but a job opportunity relocated them to Newnan in 1951.

In Newnan, the foundation was dug deep, and the walls made strong for the home they were to establish. In this decade, they would see the birth of their four children and the beginning of a legacy. Virginia was a homemaker in every sense of the word and never one to settle for mediocrity. Basically, she wanted to see things done right. She worked heartily in creating a home in which her family would flourish. She was an excellent cook, a skilled seamstress, an exacting bookkeeper, a tutor, a spiritual advisor, and a tidy housekeeper, just to name a few. Above all, she was a loving, supportive wife to Clarence and a nurturing mother to each of her children.

A job relocation in 1972 took the family to Cartersville for a brief 18 months. At the first opportunity, they returned to Newnan, home again. Shortly after returning and with the kids more independent, she began working with Glover Insurance Agency as bookkeeper. It wasn't long after their move when their foundation was shaken by the loss of their youngest child, Robin, to cancer. Outpouring of love and support from this community embraced Virginia and Clarence and helped to sustain them through this storm of life.

Later that year they saw the birth of their first grandchild and this new life brought great joy. Even though she was now working, she had no problem making time for this new cherished role as grandma, or "Nannie" as she was affectionately called by her grandchildren and children alike.

As the family expanded with new grandchildren and in-laws, Virginia decided to leave her bookkeeping job to dedicate more time to be with her family. She and Clarence relished their roles and gave selflessly in supporting the now growing family they started many years prior. After Clarence retired in 1990, they enjoyed travel and cruises together, but their favorite times were with their loved ones. They bought a home in the mountains where the family could gather and enjoy over the many seasons and holidays making memories that will never be forgotten.

In 2015, the Estes moved to St. Simons Island, GA following a move by their daughter a few years earlier. Virginia's gracious kindness won the hearts of those who served her in her years at Marshes Edge. She was their favorite.

In addition to her family, Virginia was involved in her community. Over the years she volunteered for numerous civic and service organizations. As an active member of First Baptist Church for over 60 years, she also taught 3rd grade Sunday School class for 15 years. Her life was an example of a faith lived out. Her greatest love was found in her Lord Jesus and from His love,

she served and showed kindness to all those around her. She will be greatly missed.

She is preceded in death by her husband of 67 years, Clarence L. Estes. She is survived by 3 children, Denny Estes (Johnsie)/Newnan, Cheryl Morgan (Steve)/Atlanta, and Melanie Hatcher (Ed)/St. Simons Island, brother, Paul (Cora) Cass/Calhoun, 4 grandchildren, Nicole Anderson (Yates), Robin Blake (Dwight), Melissa Barry (Trey), and Emory Hatcher III and 8 great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her youngest son, Robin Estes.

Condolences can be expressed online at www.mckoon.com

A memorial service celebrating her life will be held in the Old Sanctuary of First Baptist Church, Newnan, GA on Saturday, September 29, at 2:00 pm. Following the memorial service, the family will greet friends in the fellowship hall of the church. McKoon Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements. McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory 770-253-4580

Cemetery Details

Forest Lawn Memorial Park

656 Roscoe Road
Newnan, GA 30263

Previous Events

Service

SEP **29**. 2:00 PM (ET)

First Baptist Church of Newnan Historic Sanctuary
15 West Washington St
Newnan, GA 30263

Visitation

SEP **29**. 3:00 PM (ET)

First Baptist Church of Newnan
15 West Washington Street
Newnan, GA 30264
(770) 253-0797
info@fbcnewnan.org
<http://www.fbcnewnan.org>

Tribute Wall

MY

“ So sorry to hear of your Moms passing. My prayers to the family. May God give you peace and comfort in the days ahead. Mike Yeager

mike yeager - September 28, 2018 at 08:50 PM

JC

“ It is never easy...no matter the circumstance. Melanie...I am sending my heartfelt sympathy and pray God will wrap your family in his loving arms to console you. You are in my prayers. Jinx Chaney

Jinx Chaney - September 26, 2018 at 07:20 PM

TS

“ Denny, Cheryl and Melanie, my heart goes out to you. Your mother was a special lady. Prayers for you all in the coming days and beyond.

Teresa Garmany Sanders

Teresa Sanders - September 26, 2018 at 04:41 PM

MK

“ I am so sorry to hear about your mother, but I know she is happy to be in heaven with her husband, as my mother is with my dad. They are probably sharing memories about Newnan as we are mourning their loss here on earth. Beautiful write up on your mother, she was all about her family as I remember your time when you lived on 2nd Avenue. My thoughts and prayers are with you Melanie, Cheryl and Denny. I know of some of the sorrow that you are going through, since I just recently lost my Mom.
Love, Mary Virginia Keith

Mary Virginia Keith - September 26, 2018 at 04:29 PM

LS

“ Your mother was such a kind, bright, and attractive lady. My family thought so much of her when she worked for Glover Insurance. She always had a smile on her face and was such a good Christian person. I know your family miss her dearly and your family will be in my thoughts and prayers. Kindest regards, Lisa Mullally Smith

lisa smith - September 26, 2018 at 01:56 PM



“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Virginia Cass Estes.



September 26, 2018 at 01:08 PM

FF

“ My prayers are with all the family during this time of loss.
Frank M. Farmer

FRANK M. FARMER - September 26, 2018 at 01:05 PM

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“ *I remember going to my neighbor's house and eating snacks, she was always a gracious host and the kids loved to hang out there. Robin and I were good friends on second Avenue. She will be greatly missed. My condolences to Denny, Cheryl and Melanie.*

Lenn Theresa Wood - September 26, 2018 at 10:00 AM

BS

“ *Brenda Sutton lit a candle in memory of Virginia Cass Estes*



Brenda Sutton - September 26, 2018 at 08:34 AM

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“ *PRAYERS TO DENNY, JOHNSIE AND ALL THE FAMILY*

Brenda Sutton - September 26, 2018 at 08:33 AM