



Jo Ann Allred

May 1, 1934 - March 24, 2024

Jo Ann Johnson Allred died peacefully at the home of her daughter and son-in-law on March 24, 2024, in Johns Island, South Carolina at the age of 89. Jo Ann was born on May 1, 1934, in Duncan, South Carolina, to the late Joe D. and Myrtle Sprouse Johnson. She graduated from Duncan High School in 1952 and retired from District 5 Schools in 1997 after working as the secretary of Duncan Elementary for 25 years. She was a devoted and lifelong member of Duncan First Baptist Church and sang in the choir since she was a teenager. Jo Ann was an active and dedicated member of the Duncan community and enjoyed selling tickets at Byrnes football games until she was nearly 80.

Surviving are a daughter and son-in-law, Amy A. and J.C. Renshaw of Johns Island; granddaughter, Anna Renshaw of Atlanta, Georgia; grandson, Ethan Renshaw of Charleston; and nieces, Gay Beiers and Melanie Starnes of Duncan.

She was predeceased by her husband of 53 years, Harold Allred and her sister, Kathie Beiers.

Funeral services will be held 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, March 26, 2024, at Duncan First Baptist Church conducted by Rev. Mitch Crow, in which all are welcome to attend and celebrate her life. Burial will follow in Wood Memorial Park.

Visitation will be held 12:00-1:45 p.m. Tuesday, March 26, 2024, at the church. The family is at their respective homes.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 248

E. St. John Street, Spartanburg, South Carolina 29302, Southern Tails for Precious Paws, www.southerntailsforpreciouspaws.org/donate or an animal rescue of one's choice.

The family would like to thank Autumn Perryman and MUSC Hospice at Home by BAYADA for their loving care.

Online condolences may be made at www.thewoodmortuary.com.

Cemetery Details

Wood Memorial Park

863 Gap Creek Road
Duncan, SC 29334

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 26. 12:00 PM - 1:45 PM (ET)

First Baptist Church of Duncan
102 E. Main St.
Duncan, SC

Service

MAR 26. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

SS

“ Dear Family, my prayers are with you. How precious Jo Ann was.
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Sondra Smith - March 28, 2024 at 02:37 PM

GB

Thank you, Sondra! She was a precious soul, and we miss her dearly already.
Love, Gay and Mel Her nieces

Gay Beiers - March 30, 2024 at 04:01 PM

BN

“ So sorry to hear of Jo Anns passing. We were in school together, and I've known her sweet personality almost all my life. Prayers for you, dear Family. Betty M. Newman

Betty Newman - March 28, 2024 at 02:35 PM

GB

Betty, thank you for your kind words. She was so special to us. One of the things she always looked forward to were y'all's reunions.
Love, Gay and Mel her nieces

Gay Beiers - March 30, 2024 at 04:03 PM

VS

“ I'm so sorry to hear of JoAnns passing. I am the niece of Elsie Johnson. Every Christmas Joe and Myrt would come and celebrate Christmas with us. JoAnn treated us like family, that meant the world to me. I'll be remembering y'all in my prayers. JoAnn showed love to all, what a class act.

Vicky Sanders - March 27, 2024 at 03:06 AM

GB

Vicky, what a sweet family we had. So many loving memories of the Johnson clan. Times change, but love remains. Love, Gay and Mel

Gay Beiers - March 27, 2024 at 01:41 PM

JG

My deepest condolences are extended to you and your family in your loss. She was such a beautiful and sweet person. Praying that God will comfort you and give you peace. ❤️🙏

Jody Gentry - March 30, 2024 at 09:05 AM

GB

Jody, you knew her well. She always loved you and your family. Heaven is a sweeter place now with our losses. Love, Gay and Mel

Gay Beiers - March 30, 2024 at 04:05 PM

DH

“*Ms JoAnn was such a sweet , precious lady - loved by everyone who knew her. I loved singing in the choir with her at Duncan First... and she always carried herself as a true Southern lady-dressed so classy with a beautiful smile that lit up the room. She was so loving and kind - always having a positive outlook no matter the circumstance. She touched my heart and soul and will be remembered always. May God comfort family and friends with his love , and may all your precious memories carry you forward.*

*Sincerely,
Dana Henson (and family)*

Dana Henson - March 27, 2024 at 12:34 AM

GB

Dana, what a perfect description of Aunt Jo! She truly was the epitome of a Southern lady. She had no idea how many lives she impacted. Thank you for your heartwarming words. Love you, Gay and Mel

Gay Beiers - March 27, 2024 at 01:44 PM

RB

“ So sorry to hear of Joann’s passing. We were in school together. We worked on our class reunions together. A very sweet person. We loved her. And we have missed seeing her. We will keep your family in our prayers. Ron and Joan Bridges

Ron and Joan Bridges - March 26, 2024 at 09:48 PM

GB

Thank you for your kind words. Aunt Jo loved her classmates and always looked forward to working with you, Joan, to get everything together. We will always miss her! Love, Gay and Mel her nieces

Gay Beiers - March 27, 2024 at 01:48 PM

AP

“ I took care of Jo Jo for three beautiful years. It was a honor and privilege to care for her and love her.

Autumn Perryman - March 26, 2024 at 03:21 PM

GB

Autumn, thank you being the loving hands and feet for Aunt Jo these past years. You were so good to her and for her. I hope to meet you one day. Love, Gay and Mel

Gay Beiers - March 27, 2024 at 01:39 PM

PC

“ I knew JoAnn from State auto Ins Co . She was a sweet and very pretty lady ! Have a picture of her at S A I . So sorry for your loss ,
Annette Cox

perre cox - March 26, 2024 at 02:13 PM

GB

Annette, thank you for your kind words. Aunt Jo loved her job there. She always shared stories about y'all running to the Leader to pick out clothing to take home and try on! She will be greatly missed. Love, Gay and Melher nieces

Gay Beiers - March 27, 2024 at 01:51 PM

RO

“ Dear Family,
Our Thoughts and Prayers are with you all. Joanne was a very special lady who always had a smile and was a kind, caring, sweet and precious friend to our families. May God Bless you with much strength in the days ahead. With our Most Heartfelt and Deepest Sympathy. Richard & Barbara Owensby

Richard & Barbara Owensby - March 26, 2024 at 01:24 PM

GB

Thank you so much for your kind words. She loved you guys! Time changes things, but old friends are forever loved and appreciated. Love, Gay and Mel ... her nieces

Gay Beiers - March 27, 2024 at 01:53 PM

SS

“ Amy and Family ,
Praying 🙏 for you all on the loss of Sweet
Ms. Joann 🌸. Amy from the first time I met
Ms. Joann at Duncan Elementary when I was
Student Teaching Aide my Sophomore year
until a few years ago , she always gave me a hug and knew me by
name and I even got to see you a couple times after high school
when you were in town 😊🌸 She would always talk about you and
your family when we ran into each other 😊 Sending ☐ felt
sympathy to your family during this time of grievances 🌸☐🙏
Always had the Smile that made the Sunshine Brighter ✨🌸
Love you Ms. Joann and your family 🌸 Sonia



Sonia Shelton - March 26, 2024 at 12:27 AM

GB

Sonia, thank you for your sweet memories of Aunt Jo. She loved her
job at Duncan Elementary, and I think she was the heart and soul of
Duncan El. You're right about her smile. It was special. Love, Gay and
Mel.....her nieces

Gay Beiers - March 28, 2024 at 10:40 AM

MG

“ Amy, We are so sorry to hear of Jo Ann's passing...she was a good
friend for many years! Charlie knew her from choir and Church--I
knew her from Church and School. Charlie had seen her more
recently at Mel's and Gay's house and when Jo Ann went to New
York City to sing at Carnegie Hall. They did have a great time in
NYC!! Charlie still talks about the picture he and Jo Ann made
together, and the fun he and his buddies had on that trip!! Such
good memories!! May God Comfort you and Wrap his arms around
you and your family in this difficult time. May God give you good
memories of your Mom and Dad. Love, Mary Alice Gowan and
Charlie Gowan

Mary Gowan - March 25, 2024 at 07:23 PM

GB

Thank you, Mary Alice! She loved you and Charlie dearly. I still remember the time we all came and visited y'all. She loved all the cats! We will miss her forever. Love you both, Gay and Mel

Gay Beiers - March 27, 2024 at 01:36 PM