



Mrs. Jo Anne Timmons Kempf

February 2, 1932 - October 23, 2023

Jo Anne Timmons Kempf, 91, of Albany, GA, passed away on Monday, October 23, 2023, at Phoebe Putney Memorial Hospital. A native of Arlington, GA, Mrs. Kempf was born on February 3, 1932, to S.B. and Ruby Timmons. Mrs. Kempf was a member of the Beta Club and played basketball for Arlington High School, graduating in 1949. She graduated from Norman Junior College where she studied business. She was employed by the CIT Credit Corporation in Thomasville, GA, as well as the Marine Corps Logistics Base in Albany, GA for 16 years, before retiring to raise her children.

She loved animals, music and tending to her yard with a green thumb like no other, and rarely lost a game of Scrabble. She had a heart of gold and loved her friends and family deeply. She was a member of First Baptist Church of Albany, GA.

She was predeceased by her mother and father, S.B and Ruby Timmons, two sisters, Edith Timmons Roper and Wynette Timmons Key, in addition to her husband of 50 years, Ronald Kempf. She is survived by a son, Ronald Kempf, Jr. (Heidi) of Gainesville, FL, a daughter, Kristy Litts (Thom) of Covington, GA, six grandchildren, Alexandra, Nathan, Logan and Connor Kempf, and Lillian and Evan Litts, niece Dianne Key, and several other nieces, nephews and cousins.

Visitation will be held Friday, October 27, 2023, from 6-8 pm at Kimbrell-Stern. Service will be Saturday, October 28, 2023, 11 am at Kimbrell-Stern with interment to follow at Crown Hill Cemetery. Dr. Butch Knight will be officiating. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Albany Humane Society.

Cemetery Details

Crown Hill Cemetery

1907 Dawson Rd
Albany, GA 31707
(229) 883-6600
<https://www.kimbrellstern.com/>

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **27**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

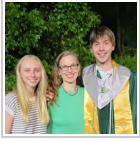
Kimbrell-Stern
1503 Dawson Road
Albany, GA 31707
(229) 883-4152
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Funeral Service

OCT **28**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Kimbrell-Stern
1503 Dawson Road
Albany, GA 31707
(229) 883-4152
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Tribute Wall



“ 1 file added to the album *Jo Anne*



Kristy Litts - November 14, 2023 at 10:00 AM



“ 1 file added to the album *Video Memorial*



Kristy Litts - November 11, 2023 at 06:36 PM



“ 6 files added to the album *Jo Anne*



Kristy K Litts - November 03, 2023 at 12:04 PM

TP

“ Travis P. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Jo Anne Timmons Kempf.

Travis P. - October 26, 2023 at 05:40 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Mrs. Jo Anne Timmons Kempf.

October 26, 2023 at 03:42 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mrs. Jo Anne Timmons Kempf.



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“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Mrs. Jo Anne Timmons Kempf.



October 26, 2023 at 03:19 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mrs. Jo Anne Timmons Kempf.*



October 25, 2023 at 02:46 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Mrs. Jo Anne Timmons Kempf.

October 25, 2023 at 02:45 PM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Mrs. Jo Anne Timmons Kempf.*



October 25, 2023 at 02:45 PM



“ *Joanne was my roommate and coworker at CIT Corporation. in Thomasville. we enjoyed many good times together and have kept in touch these many years. I will miss talking to her on her birthday every year and reminiscing with her about memories we shared. My condolences to Kristy and family. she was so special and I will miss her. Rest in Peace dear friend!*
Jan Hardin Mattison

Janiece Mattison - October 25, 2023 at 02:20 PM

DK

“ Ronnie & Kristy,

You had the most loving and dedicated mother that anyone could ever have had. Jo Anne was a good person. She was kind-hearted like Munner, and was liked by everyone who knew her. She was generous to let me stay at her house when I was in Albany, and I won't forget it. When you think of her, you will have many fond memories of the happy home she made for you, where there was always a delicious meal on the table and your friends were always welcome. In the years to come, you can take comfort in knowing that your mother spent the last days of her life with the two people who meant the most to her, her son and daughter.

Losing Jo Anne will leave a void in the lives of her family and many friends and we will certainly miss her. You two will always be in my prayers.

Dianne

Dianne Key - October 24, 2023 at 08:18 PM

CB

I am deeply saddened by Jo Ann's passing. We have not been friends that long, but I consider her a very good one. I will miss her much and our weekly scrabble games. May she rest in peace and may God bless all her family. Chris Bates

Chris Bates - October 25, 2023 at 09:52 AM

RK

Thank you Dianne for everything you've done for her, and for us. They just don't make them like her anymore and I am thankful for the values she ingrained within us and know she raised us up with her kind spirit.

Ron Kempf - October 25, 2023 at 10:10 PM

PS

“ So sorry to hear of Jo Anne’s passing. Our family met her when we lived next door to Maxine Newton. She visited Maxine often and the two of them together kept us laughing! After we moved to Ohio I kept in touch with her through Facebook and a phone call or two. We were quite fond of Jo Anne and our hearts break for her family.

Pam Story - October 24, 2023 at 07:58 PM

KL

Pam, my mom fondly remembered you all and she still had all of your Christmas cards in her keepsake drawer. Thank you for the kind words.

Kristy K Litts - October 30, 2023 at 10:00 PM

BD

“ I loved the time when I worked with Jo Anne at the Marine Base. She was a fun person to be around. I remember when you kids came along and how excited and happy she was. I’m sorry we lost touch over the years. Barbara Dasher

Barbara Dasher - October 24, 2023 at 06:31 PM

JH

Didn’t know I was kin to her, when I lived in Arlington. SB Timmons mother was my grandfather’s sister. So that makes me a third cousin. Remember her on the 48, 49, basketball team, she was older than me, but I thought she was the best looking girl on the team, with the nicest legs, ok figure. Anyway I wish I knew she was kin at that time. She is with grace and mercy, no pain, a new body and having a ball. God bless her family, all who knew her.

James Harrell - October 24, 2023 at 09:31 PM

WH

Sorry to hear this about Jo Anne. I went to college with her at Norman. She was a very sweet person. Lost contact over the years until recently, was in contact by email . God bless your family.

Wilda Haley - October 24, 2023 at 10:22 PM

CJ

Joanne was my first cousin. Our mothers were sisters. Through the years we have shared many experiences at family gatherings. I always enjoyed her sense of humor and loved to be with her. I remember staying with her when I came to Albany for one of my High School reunions and other times through the years. I will miss being able to talk on the phone as we would in our later years. We talked about my family and she was proud to talk about her daughter and son and the grandchildren. I will miss her.

Claire Jones - October 25, 2023 at 05:34 PM

PN

I always enjoyed visiting with Jo Anne when delivering meals. We made a family connection and enjoyed talking about flowers. I wish I had known her when our children were growing up in the church. She was a delightful person to be around and I will miss her.

Paula Norton - October 26, 2023 at 03:29 PM

JW

Jo Anne and I frequently ended with "nursery duty" together at FBC back when our kids were little. She was always fun to work with and a genuinely kind spirit. We lost touch when kids grew up but she remembered our "nursery duty" days when Tom delivered meals to her in recent years. Truly a lovely person!

Julie Walker - October 26, 2023 at 08:21 PM