



## Mrs. Marilyn Thompson McClelland

February 15, 1946 - November 18, 2020

Marilyn Thompson McClelland, 74 of Albany died Wednesday, November 18, 2020 at Phoebe Putney Hospital.

Her funeral service will be at 2 PM on Saturday, November 21, 2020 at the First Presbyterian Church of Albany. Rev. Josh Brower will officiate. Her interment service will be on Monday, November 23, 2020 at Andersonville National Cemetery.

She was a native of Bainbridge, Georgia but lived in Albany, Georgia most of her life. She was a 1964 graduate of Albany High School and was a member of First Presbyterian Church of Albany. She loved children and taught piano and voice for more than fifty five years. Mrs. McClelland served as music director for many churches in Albany through the years.

Survivors include her husband: Timothy McClelland, Albany; son: Jonathan Lawson (Rebecca), Peachtree City, GA ; her daughter Deidra Manning (John), Ada, OK; six grandchildren: Jordan Lawson, Bailey Lawson, Harrison Lawson, Caleb Manning, Maddie Manning, and Morgan Manning; her sister Bernice Willis, of Albany and her brother Isaac Thompson, of Dallas, TX.

# Previous Events

## Funeral Service

NOV **21**. 2:00 PM (ET)

First Presbyterian Church  
220 N. Jackson St.  
Albany, GA 31701

## Interment Service

NOV **23**. 10:00 AM (ET)

Andersonville National Cemetery  
496 Cemetery Rd  
Andersonville, GA 31711

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Marilyn Thompson McClelland*

May 22, 2023 at 10:29 AM



“ *I remember when I had piano lessons with her. She had lost her metronome and decided to download a metronome app instead. It started out fine but she tried to change the tempo and it just got faster and louder. The whole time she just screamed at me "How do I make it stop?!" She eventually found the pause button and we just laughed about it for the rest of class. I hope she plays on a bedazzled piano in heaven.*



**Evie Newton** - May 09, 2023 at 01:02 PM



“ *Mrs. Marilyn Thompson McClelland*

December 24, 2022 at 02:54 AM



“ *I was glad to have know Ms. Marilyn when my children were involved in taking piano lessons. All three of my children took lessons from this very talented professional. She was a sweet and caring person. Sending prayers to you and your family.*

*With Sincere Sympathy, Lorrie Monahan*

**Lorrie Monahan** - March 04, 2021 at 04:41 PM

CM

“ *Tim and family: There are no right words. The few times we had the privilege to spend time with Marilyn she was a bright jovial spirit with a phenomenal musical talent that she shared with so many for the betterment of so many lives. We wish you strength and courage now and in all the difficult days and months ahead. God Bless. We will be in touch*

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**Carol & Brian McClelland** - December 01, 2020 at 09:19 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mrs. Marilyn Thompson McClelland.*



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November 20, 2020 at 08:30 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mrs. Marilyn Thompson McClelland.*



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November 20, 2020 at 03:19 PM

DA

“ *I've known and loved Marilyn for the past 40 years, she was my friend and defender and gave the best hugs ever. I'll miss her laughter and her stories. My heart and prayers goes out to all her family and loved ones. Heaven just got a little brighter with her.*



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**DANE ARREOLA** - November 20, 2020 at 02:33 PM

KS

*My heart breaks for all of you. Marilyn was dear to me. Not only was she my daughter's, Blair, voice teacher, Marilyn was my para pro in the classroom one year. She will be missed by many.*

❤️🙏 kitty Sokol

**Kitty Sokol** - November 20, 2020 at 02:49 PM

JB

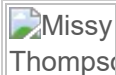
*My heart is breaking for you all!  
Marilyn was such a sweet and beautiful lady! She always brightened up our days!! Sending love, hugs and prayers to all of you!! She was truly loved!!! Janie & Bruce*

**Janie & Bruce Bitterman** - November 20, 2020 at 03:41 PM

EM

*Sorry to hear of your loss. I knew Marilyn when she was a student at Norman College in Norman Park. She didn't want to live in the dorm so she rented a room from my mother. I was in high school at the time. She became like a second sister. She was extremely gifted and blessed by God. She will be missed. Eloise Hickman Murphy*

**Eloise Murphy** - November 20, 2020 at 04:44 PM

 Missy Thompson

*Tim, Johnathan & Deidra, My heart breaks with you. Marilyn has been a friend, encourager, and confidant for over 20 years. Ever time I came home to GA frm TN we would try to do lunch. We had so many great times at Radium Springs Baptist Church. She made me laugh and cry. Her sweet sweet spirit will be missed. My thoughts and prayers are with you today and in the days to come.. Melissa Holladay Thompson*

**Missy Thompson** - November 20, 2020 at 08:47 PM

CC

*I am so so sorry for your loss. Marilyn was such a special friend to me! She was a ray of sunshine. She had a smile that would light up a room, and such an infectious laugh. She was very compassionate and kind and loved her God with all her heart! We had many conversations about our Heavenly Father! I know God is smiling with joy because He got another angel and one who can rock those ivory keys and can belt out a tune like nobody's business!! 💕 Enjoy seeing those pearls, Marilyn because they were your favorites! I will love you forever and miss you dearly, but I know theres no more suffering and you're home! I love you 💕 Thanks for the wonderful memories. I see you again someday!*

*Cheri Cooper*

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**Cheri Cooper** - November 20, 2020 at 10:38 PM

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“ *jerry turner 3225 newnan rd p, griffinm ga 330223 purchased the Graceful Wreath for the family of Mrs. Marilyn Thompson McClelland.*



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**jerry turner 3225 newnan rd p, griffinm ga 330223** - November 20, 2020 at 01:20 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mrs. Marilyn Thompson McClelland.*



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November 20, 2020 at 12:33 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Mrs. Marilyn Thompson McClelland.*



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November 20, 2020 at 12:07 PM



“ *I have many fond memories of Marilyn. We were close in high school and even double dated when I started dating my now husband. We had many good times and laughs. She will be sorely missed. Prayers for those she left behind. She is playing in the heavenly choir.*

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**Charlene Clark** - November 20, 2020 at 11:29 AM



“ *So sorry to learn of Marilyn's passing! Our prayers go out to Tim and the family. Our Kiwanis of Dougherty club remains grateful for the time she put in as our musical accompanist on the keyboard.*

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**David Eudon Shivers** - November 20, 2020 at 11:00 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mrs. Marilyn Thompson McClelland.*



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November 20, 2020 at 10:55 AM

GS

“ Karen and I have many good memories of Marilyn but a few surround our Saturday night suppers at either our house or Marilyn's. On several occasions Bill Barry and his wife were there at the Lawson's. Billy was organist at the First Assembly of God. After eating Marilyn and Billy would entertain us by playing some of our favorite Gospel and Church Hymns. Marilyn would always say to me we are going to play the Methodist version and then the Pentacostal version. Confidentially I tended to favor the Pentacostal rendition.

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**Grady Sceals** - November 20, 2020 at 09:19 AM



“ Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Mrs. Marilyn Thompson McClelland.



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November 19, 2020 at 10:48 PM

SQ

“ We shared The Thompson family name. Both having the same grandparents, our Dad's were brothers and good friends. We were only a year apart in age but raised in different states. I loved her humor. She reminded me of her Daddy, my Uncle IJ. She got the short gene while I was tall. The odd couple! Will miss my cousin. Love to family, Sheila Thompson Quinn

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**Sheila Thompson Quinn** - November 19, 2020 at 10:05 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mrs. Marilyn Thompson McClelland.*



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November 19, 2020 at 07:48 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Marilyn Thompson McClelland.*



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November 19, 2020 at 06:54 PM



“ *I've known Marilyn since High School. She played the organ at First Christian Church at the time. She had a beautiful voice and sang at my first wedding. Very sweet lady who will be greatly missed by many.*

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**David Summerall** - November 19, 2020 at 06:43 PM



“ *What a blessing Marilyn was to our family. So many memories of laughter, tears and sharing about Jesus. She will be so missed. Know each of you are in our prayers. Sending our love. Matt, Tracy & Madison Keller*

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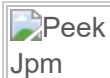
**Tracy Keller** - November 19, 2020 at 06:26 PM



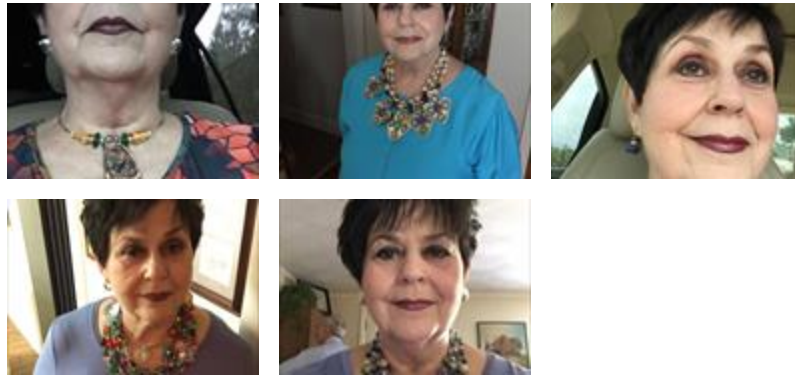
“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mrs. Marilyn Thompson McClelland.



November 19, 2020 at 06:24 PM



“ 9 files added to the tribute wall



Peek Jpm - November 19, 2020 at 04:27 PM



*She taught many of us and was there to shine her light and help us see our worth, our own grace and dignity, our intelligence. She showed us that living the Christian life is your Rock and keeps you grounded and steadfast through troubles. She shared her beauty, wisdom, and talents freely. Her impact on family, friends, and students is beyond accounting. We love her so much. We pray for Mr. Tim, and her children and the rest of her family to heal and know she is with Jesus and one day she will be there to greet us with her heavenly jewelry and the beautiful smile with arms wide open. Until that day, our hearts are full of love for you and the family and a lifetime of our memories of you*

Peek Jpm - November 19, 2020 at 04:33 PM

SV

*She was always smiling and wearing her beautiful jewelry. The "queen" was always enjoyable at our Wednesday morning breakfast. I loved to hear her play the piano. All my love and prayers for Tim. Don't worry Tim she is up there with my Jimmy and you know he will look after her.*

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**SHEBA A VALENTINE** - November 20, 2020 at 08:55 AM

BG

“ *Many prayers for this special family during their time of loss.* ”

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**Bonnie and Eric Gilmer** - November 19, 2020 at 04:21 PM