



Mrs. Nancy Racz Collins

May 3, 1950 - December 15, 2022

Nancy Racz Collins, 72, affectionately known as “Mouse” to her family and friends passed away December 15, 2022 after a five year battle with pulmonary fibrosis. She was surrounded by her family night and day until the Lord took her home. Her constant smile and love for her family never wavered through much suffering as she never complained and fought the good fight. Born May 3, 1950, she grew up in Albany. She received her R.N. degree at Georgia Southwestern College and was employed at St. Mary’s Hospital in Athens where she met her husband Seth at the University of Georgia. They had been together fifty years. She grew up in Porterfield Memorial United Methodist Church. After marrying, she returned to Albany and continued the tradition with her family. She loved music and was a member of the choir and Sweet Beginning’s music group. The Intercessory prayer group was special to her, and they were there for her in her sickness though she had moved away ten years earlier. Whether chasing a missed river boat down the Rhine River, being evacuated from a hurricane ravaged island in the Caribbean, exploring volcanoes and the rainforest, she was always ready for the next adventure. Her nursing career spanned thirty five years but called it quits when her first granddaughter was born on her birthday. A new career began caring for her granddaughters. She also cared for Seth’s mother who passed away in 2010. A lifetime of caring for others when fulltime retirement was an option. She explained it as a gift for the people she loved. In 2012, she achieved the goal to move to New Smyrna

Beach, FL. The family followed. Prior to her sickness she loved to travel but after discovering the Hawaiian Islands' Hapuna Beach became her favorite destination. When asked: "why do you keep going to the same place", she explained, she had spent her life exploring beaches and finally found the "perfect beach". Always the beach girl until the end. The void the family feels can never be filled. In "Mouse's" words: "the Lord always has a perfect plan". She is survived by her husband Seth; daughter, Ivy Rosen and her husband Joshua; son, Christopher Collins; granddaughters: Kohdi and Endi Rosen, all of New Smyrna Beach, FL. Also survived by her brother, Reverend Wayne Racz and his wife Genny of St. Simons Island, GA; niece, Katherine Jeanne Racz Lake and her husband Brian; nephews: Benjamin Racz and Sam Racz and his wife Helen; great-nephews: James and Wyatt Racz; brothers-in-law: Steve Collins and Stan Collins and his wife Diane, of Albany.

A memorial service will be held March 11, 2023, at 2:00 PM in the chapel of Porterfield Memorial United Methodist Church.

Those desiring may make memorials in her memory to: Halifax Health Hospice, Attention: Emily Smith, 3800 Woodbriar Trail, Port Orange, FL 32129.

You may share your own special thoughts and memories with the family by visiting www.kimbrellstern.com.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

MAR 11. 2:00 PM (ET)

Haley Chapel at Porterfield Memorial United Methodist Church
2200 Dawson Rd.
Albany, GA 31707

Tribute Wall

RE

“ I am so sad to hear of Nancy’s passing. I worked with Nancy at Healthmaster/ CareSouth home health. She was always a joy to work with. She will be missed. Prayers to the family and loved ones of Nancy- Romy Espy

Romy Espy - March 13, 2023 at 04:14 PM

MR

“ MARINA ROSEN lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Nancy Racz Collins



MARINA ROSEN - March 06, 2023 at 04:30 PM

DH

“ Loved The Racz family throughout my childhood in the best neighborhood ever. Nancy was seemingly always laying out in the sun ! ☀️ Much love to Wayne , Seth and her entire family. Peace.

Debbie Hambley - February 19, 2023 at 12:28 PM

JS

“ *What a wonderful friend Mouse was. I miss knowing I can't pick up the phone and hear her sweet voice, full of tales of her family. Our daughters were the best of friends all through school and we all spent many days at one of our pools.*

Dub and Mouse were there for me during some dark days, helping me in every way they could. I will never forget the support and comfort from both.

I know we are all grateful that she will never have another debilitating migraine that kept her in terrible pain so many days.

Dub, Ivy & Chris, I look forward to seeing you in Albany and celebrating a life which was beautifully lived. I love you all, Jan

Jan Sapp Singletary - February 18, 2023 at 08:46 PM

LC

Prayers and Blessings to all the Family---Lucille Bishop Crouch

Lucille B. Crouch - March 07, 2023 at 09:33 PM