



## Mrs. Nancy C. Mitchell

May 20, 1954 - August 17, 2020

Nancy Coffey Mitchell, 66, of Roswell, GA passed away at her home early on the morning of Monday, August 17th, 2020 after battling cancer for several years. A private graveside service and interment will be held with family later this week at Crown Hill Cemetery in Albany, Ga.

Nancy was born May 20, 1954 in Cuba, AL to Amy Coffey Spencer and Boyd Coffey as the fifth of nine children in the family. She graduated from Decatur High School in 1972 and went on to earn her B.S.N. degree from the University of Alabama in Huntsville in 1976 and her M.S.N. degree from the University of Alabama in Birmingham in 1979. She practiced as a nurse in the intensive care and critical care units from 1976-1978, then taught nursing at the University of Alabama (1979-1980), the University of Kentucky (1980-1983), and at Darton College School of Nursing (now Albany State University) in Albany, GA (2010 – 2016).

She married Stephen Mitchell in 1980; they moved to Albany in 1987 and raised their four children there. She was very active as a member of Covenant Presbyterian Church and as a volunteer with her children's schools, Young Life, Whiz Kids, and several annual cancer research fundraisers. In 2016, Nancy relocated to Roswell, GA to be closer to her family and became a member of Roswell Presbyterian Church. Nancy is remembered as a devoted mother, grandmother, and sister; a faithful Christian; a steadfast friend; and a helper of those in need. She enjoyed cooking for a crowd, sewing, running, gardening, and traveling. She was always ready for an adventure, a game, or

a late night spent laughing and telling stories with those she loved.

She will be dearly missed by all who knew her. She is preceded in death by her parents and by her son, Wyatt Mitchell. She is survived by her adoring children Sarah (Greg) Hook, Julia (Tom) Rittenhouse, and Brooks (Kaitlin) Mitchell, and grandsons Benjamin Hook, Henry Hook, Huck Rittenhouse, and Billy Rittenhouse. In addition, she is survived by siblings Debbie Langley, Jane Cason, Joan Morehead, Susan Riley, Carol Clark, John Coffey, Don Coffey, and Bobby Coffey and many loving brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, nieces, and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, it was Nancy's desire that donations be made to the following non-profit organizations: Sarcoma Foundation of America ([curesarcoma.org/donate](http://curesarcoma.org/donate)) or Young Life ([giving.younglife.org/s](http://giving.younglife.org/s)). To share your thoughts with the family, you may visit Nancy's tribute wall at Kimbrell-Stern's website ([www.kimbrellstern.com](http://www.kimbrellstern.com)).

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Nancy C. Mitchell*

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May 22, 2023 at 10:29 AM



“ *Mrs. Nancy C. Mitchell*

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May 22, 2023 at 01:29 AM



“ *Mrs. Nancy C. Mitchell*

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December 24, 2022 at 02:54 AM

AR

“ My sincere condolences to Sarah, Julia, Brooks and my friend Steve for the loss of Nancy. She was such a passionate Mother and Grandmother. I had known Nancy since the early 70's while sharing an apartment with Steve at U of A and can honestly say that I never heard a cross word spoken by her. She was so smart and such a witty person with a great sense of humor. I'll share one prank that she and Steve pulled on me in college. They knew my feet were extremely ticklish. While I was reclining one day with my feet propped up on the ottoman, Steve sat on my legs while Nancy proceeded to tickle my feet which caused a knee jerk reaction that flipped Steve off my legs. They really got a charge out of it! My wife, Lisa, and I always enjoyed having the Mitchell's up to see my son, David, play basketball at the University of South Carolina during the span of 1998 - 2001. The last time I saw Nancy was in 2016 as I came for an overnight visit before going to Columbia to see David and his family. I was a beneficiary of one of those late night conversations mentioned in Nancy's obit which I will always cherish. And I also had the privilege of having dinner with she and Julia. Nancy was one of the good ones and will be missed so much by so many. Say hello to Wyatt for me. Love, Allan and Lisa Ross

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**Allan Ross** - August 23, 2020 at 04:12 PM

MR

“ Family, my words seem to be so inadequate at this time. I do know that in this lifetime before we can share a testimony, we must first be tested. Nancy always had straight A's. Today we echo what she heard Monday as she entered the portals of Heaven. "Well done Nancy!" My love and prayers cover you all. Marsha Cason Rhymer

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**Marsha Rhymer** - August 21, 2020 at 01:46 PM

RH

“ Nancy was such a loving, strong example of Christ and his love. You children are very blessed to have had such a wonderful example as your mom. I am thankful I knew her and was touched by her sweet spirit. However, the greater the bond and more blessed the relationship, the larger the void especially in the beginning. As you learned with the loss of Wyatt, we all do find memories more precious as the hurt fades gradually to let the sunshine our loved one left for us shine through. May God richly bless each of you as he holds you close for His comfort and peace. I know each one will feel your mom's presence throughout your lives because she left large footprints on your hearts. Love to each of you!! Ruth Henry

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**Ruth Henry** - August 20, 2020 at 12:41 PM

AH

“ I've never met Nancy, but I have the privilege to work with her son Brooks. He spoke of her often, especially her dedication to helping people through her work. Looking at what others have written, I can see the traits of enthusiasm, compassion, and hard work that she instilled in her son. Thank you Brooks for sharing her memories with us, and I'm sure your family knows they can still see her in you.

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**Anne Holland** - August 20, 2020 at 10:16 AM

JH

*Hello Brooks. My sincere condolences to you and your family. May you cherish the love between you and your family at this time and celebrate the love and life of your mother. - From a co-worker of Brooks'.*

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**Jennifer Hampton** - August 20, 2020 at 10:42 AM

MJ

“ Hello Sarah and siblings, this is Mrs. Jones, your teacher from Lincoln, and a friend to your mother. I was sadden to hear that your mother passed. She was a sweet and caring person. Always being ready to help in time of need. She will be missed. I pray that God will continue to strengthen you and your family in your faith in Jesus Christ. I love you all!

Merita Jones - August 19, 2020 at 10:08 PM



“ Heavenly Grace Spray was purchased for the family of Mrs. Nancy C. Mitchell.



August 19, 2020 at 02:48 PM

DR

“ Nancy was beloved by colleagues and students for the five years she was a nursing faculty member at Darton College. Her genuine warmth and compassion and her loving spirit was evident to all. She was an excellent instructor, always prepared and available for student needs. She is remembered for her generosity of her time and talents when leading student and college activities.



Debra Richardson - August 19, 2020 at 01:14 PM

CC

*My fondest memory of Nancy is her sense of humor & Her ability to be creative. For example, Tshirts made of an unflattering photo of me for my fiftieth bday. The "scarf it up" adult bib. The rap music skit on a cruise in Turkey. Together we filled each other's voids and always shared laughter about our grandchildren.*

*When it's all about Nancy it's all about FAMILY.*

*Toward the end her wish was that her children/grandchildren to know we will all be here for them as a family.*



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**Carol C Clark** - August 19, 2020 at 02:49 PM

DR

“ *Nancy was a very good friend to me during our years together at Decatur High School in Decatur AL. Our senior year we spent a lot of time together. She and Steve Mitchell introduced me to Randy Roberts( Steve’s roommate at Alabama and Nancy was a bridesmaid in our wedding. She was a precious soul and wonderful friend. We lost touch as our husbands pursued their careers in medicine. Prayers for all of her family. I will cherish the many memories we shared* 🙏❤️

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**Deb Roberts** - August 19, 2020 at 11:00 AM

CH

“ *I was so saddened to hear this news. Nancy was such a kind caring person and a wonderful mother. Nancy will be missed by many.*

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**cathy horne** - August 19, 2020 at 09:33 AM

LD

*Nancy, always a witness to her faith and in whom she believed displaying such courage and grace along her life journey. We shared Young Life together and know God In His love has her embraced in His loving arms. Sorry the flowers arrived a few hours late. Lee Don*

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**Lee Don** - August 19, 2020 at 01:04 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Mrs. Nancy C. Mitchell.*



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August 18, 2020 at 07:22 PM



“ *Nancy was one of the most beautiful people I have ever known. Kind, devoted, soft-spoken, fun and always positive. I met Nancy when she was a room mother for Sarah's first grade class and would often bring Wyatt, Julia, and Brooks with her. The whole class loved whenever they came and Nancy came anytime she could help. You knew immediately they were a special family and Nancy a wonderful mother and person. My love to Sarah, Julia and Brooks, and prayers for comfort for all the family.*

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**Judy Mathis** - August 18, 2020 at 07:16 PM



“ *Nancy meant the world to me. Our friendship started in Pensacola. I never met anyone like her. She changed my life in so many ways. Our husbands were great friends too and the four of us shared a bond like no other. My husband and I will miss her so much. I find comfort knowing she is in Heaven right now with Wyatt and they are hugging and dancing with joy. Sarah, Julia, and Brooks: she loved you with everything she had in her. There are two lasting bequests we can hope to give our children. One of these is Roots and the other is Wings. She gave both to each one of you. That is her legacy. Her finest attributes and best qualities will live on in you three beautiful children forever. We are all better people because of Nancy Coffey Mitchell. Thank you Nancy.*

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**Linda Gibson** - August 18, 2020 at 10:43 AM

BC

“ I was blessed to know Nancy as her children were in school with my children. A couple of times she gave me advice that was based in wisdom and love and was very helpful to me. Nancy was a very special person who will be sorely missed. My condolences to you all.

*Becky Carlon*

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**Becky Carlon** - August 18, 2020 at 10:22 AM

BC

“ So much of my childhood includes Mrs. Nancy and all the fun times at her house with Sarah, Julia, Wyatt and Brooks. She was a great friend to our family for many years. I'm praying for all of you.

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**Brittany Hall Cook** - August 18, 2020 at 09:17 AM

CS

“ I am so sorry to hear this news about Nancy. She was a very sweet person and devoted mother. It is reassuring to know that she has been reunited with precious Wyatt and that they are both in the arms of Jesus. 💜 My deepest condolences to all of her family.

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**Cary Stoudenmire** - August 18, 2020 at 09:12 AM

TS

“ It was an honor to know and work with Mrs. Nancy. My prayers are with you all during this time.

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**Toni Smith** - August 18, 2020 at 08:44 AM

DM

“ There are a few women that have made me see Jesus shining out of them. Nancy is one. Her grace, strength & kindness were apparent in everything she did. I met & had occasion to interact with some really wonderful women at Covenant. Nancy was one of them. My prayers are with all of you that love her. May God send you peace. She made us all better than she found us. I am heartbroken for your loss.  
Dona Miller

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**Dona Miller** - August 18, 2020 at 06:44 AM

HD

“ Sending you all my deepest condolences. So many childhood memories with her warmth, hospitality, humility and grace. She loved and loved well. It was evident in the way she loved and served her children and her community. Her example so humbly pointed up. Sarah, Julia and Brooks- you remain in my utmost prayers.

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**Haley Dozier** - August 17, 2020 at 10:49 PM

DH

“ Nancy was one of the most loving mothers and best friends anyone could ever have. She truly cared for people and if there was a way for anyone to step in and help..she was there first. She loved her family and was such a big part of their lives. Nancy loved God and through all the rough times she never asked “why me?”...she said ...”why not me?”. She was humble, kind, loving and a lot of fun. I can't imagine this world without her. She will be forever missed but what a blessing to have had her in our lives. So many wonderful memories of a very special lady.

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**Denise Hall** - August 17, 2020 at 10:14 PM

ES

“ So sorry for your loss. She was a really sweet person.


Ellen Smith - August 17, 2020 at 09:52 PM

SS

“ I have never known a more devoted and loving mother than Nancy. I taught two of her precious children, Julia and Brooks, in first grade at Lincoln, and during that time Nancy was my room mother. What a special person she was, and I am so grateful for the opportunity I had to get to know her and call her my friend. She has certainly left behind a wonderful legacy in her beautiful children and grandchildren! Julia and Brooks, I want you to know that you and your sister Sarah are in my thoughts and prayers. With much love



Sheila Scarborough - August 17, 2020 at 09:11 PM

 Carla Kennedy

“ I will always remember Nancy's beautiful laugh and smile.. She was a light in this dim World and will be missed!

Carla Kennedy - August 17, 2020 at 08:09 PM

NR

“ Such a loving person! Love to all!

Nancy Reimer - August 17, 2020 at 07:59 PM

AW

“ So saddened to hear this news. She was always so kind, sincere and easy going. May she rest in peace.

Adrienne Wilson - August 17, 2020 at 07:59 PM