



Ruth N. Bickerstaff Obituary

December 18, 1918 - December 29, 2005

Ruth Norris Bickerstaff, 87, of Albany, died December 28, 2005 at LaGrange Hospice, LaGrange, GA. Her funeral service will be Saturday 11 AM at Kimbrell-Stern with interment to follow at Newton Cemetery, Newton, GA. The Rev. Thad Hagood will officiate. She was born December 18, 1918 in Newton, GA and was the daughter of William Franklin Norris and Bonnie Ruth Powell Norris of Newton, GA. She was the younger of two children. Her brother William Franklin Norris, an Army Captain, was killed in World War II. Ruth Bickerstaff graduated from the University of Georgia in 1941. She married R. H. Bickerstaff (Bick) of Athens, GA and the couple moved to Albany, GA after graduation. She was preceded in death by her husband in 1978 after 37 years of marriage. Ruth was a dedicated teacher in Dougherty County and retired after 26 years. She was a lifetime and committed member of the First Methodist Church, Albany, GA. She is survived by daughter Bonnie Allen Bickerstaff, Newnan, GA; sons, Mr. & Mrs. Robert H. Bickerstaff, Jr. (Bob and Diane), Newnan, GA, and William Norris Bickerstaff (Bill), Athens, GA, and their respective children and grandchildren. Her grandchildren include Mr. & Mrs. Chase Christopher (Bentley, daughter of Bonnie); Mr. & Mrs. Robert Woodard (Kim, daughter of Bob), R. H. Bickerstaff, III (Robert, son of Bob), Mr. & Mrs. Rob Thornton (Kari, step-daughter of Bob), Jaimie Epperly (step-daughter of Bob); Britton Norris Bickerstaff (son of Bill), Charles Graham Bickerstaff (son of Bill), and Melissa Norris Bickerstaff (daughter of Bill). Her great-grandchildren include Rylee Woodard (daughter of Kim); Brett and

Kyleigh Bickerstaff (son and daughter of R. H. Bickerstaff, III); and Ella Claire Thornton (daughter of Kari). Ruth Bickerstaff also leaves behind many devoted friends. The family will receive friends Saturday at Kimbrell-Stern from 10 AM until the funeral hour. In lieu of flowers those desiring may make donations in memory of Mrs. Bickerstaff to LaGrange Hospice, 1510 Vernon Road, Lagrange, GA, 30240.

Tribute Wall



“ *Ruth N. Bickerstaff Obituary*

May 22, 2023 at 10:29 AM



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“ *Mrs Bickerstaff was my 2nd grade teacher at Northside Elementary. She is a teacher that I have never forgotten. I thought Mrs Bickerstaff was the greatest and have thought of her often through the years. My thoughts and prayers go out to the family.*

Bambi Woodham Curles - January 20, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ *Forgotten. Sorry. She wrote on my report card excessive talking. I still have the card and she knew me pretty well.*

Bambi Woodham Curles - January 20, 2006 at 12:00 AM

PP

“ Dear Bonnie, Bob and Bill,

Nancy Kaliher Ellanson informed me of Ruth's death and I wanted to offer my deepest sympathy. Ruth was always one of my favorites of Daddy's and Mother's friends (Hughes & Pat Wall). Ruth, Bick, Mother & Daddy had many fun times together. And I'll always remember how patient she was while tutoring me in 5th grade math. My husband, Jerry, was very fond of Ruth as well. Please know that you and your families are in our thoughts and prayers.

patsy wall parker - January 09, 2006 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ *Bob, Bill & Bonnie. I am deeply sorry to hear about the loss of your mother. Having just found about this, it is impossible for me to get to Albany in time for the funeral. You will be in my thoughts and prayers, and I'll be with you in spirit. Much love to you all, Jack*

Jack Harris - December 31, 2005 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ *I'm visiting Jack in Niceville, Florida. It is impossible to return at this time. I think of you boys so often. Much Love, Mrs. Harris*

Barbara Harris - December 31, 2005 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ *My best in your time of mourning.*

Michael Harris

Michael Harris - December 31, 2005 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ *Dear Bob and Bill,
Mama called and let me know about your Mom. I am so sorry. You are so lucky to have her as long as you did. I know that doesn't help right now, but your children and your grandchildren had a chance to know her. That in itself means a lot. Your families will be in my prayers.*
Love,
Kathy Harris

Kathy Harris - December 31, 2005 at 12:00 AM