



Constance Carpenter Lawrence

October 26, 1942 - February 11, 2022

Constance Carpenter Lawrence, age 79, of Salem, SC wife of 57 years to Thomas Edward Lawrence passes away on Friday, February 11, 2022 at Prisma Health Oconee Memorial Hospital. Born October 26, 1942, in Melrose, MA, she grew up in a traditional loving family and was the daughter of the late Rev. Lewis Bennett Carpenter, a Methodist minister and Charlotte Louise (Heaton) Carpenter.

Mrs. Lawrence met her husband Thomas Edward Lawrence at Hanover College during her freshman year, and they married shortly after she graduated with her Bachelor of Political Science, she continued her education by obtaining her Master of Library Science from Butler University. She was employed for 30 years as a Media Specialist within the Lawrence Township Schools in Indianapolis, IN during which time she was awarded teacher of the year at Amy Beverland Elementary School. During her tenure she had the opportunity to begin her career in a small Catholic school, and ending her career in an 1,000 student grade school, where she was tasked with creating a 15,000-volume library collection.

Mrs. Lawrence was a loving Wife, Mother, and Grandmother who was proud of her family, she showed her love and appreciation towards her family through her hobby of scrapbooking. Her photos went through her life to tell the history and story of her family, her many projects include books for her sons

and continuing for all her grandchildren.

She was a true political junkie, and avid news follower, she loved her Country, flag, and was patriotic to the core. She loved all her pets and truly adored her Labrador retriever Colt, and Golden Retriever Madison. She was proud to have raised \$25, 000 for Keowee Key Dog Park, where she continued to meet friends daily at 11:00 AM for several years.

She enjoyed singing in the choirs in high school, college community, and at Ft. Hill Presbyterian Church.

Mrs. Lawrence is survived by her husband as well as two sons Steven Lawrence of Westerville, OH and Andrew (Peggy) Lawrence of Canton, GA. Five grandchildren Kelly and Eric Lawrence of Westerville, OH., Tom, Elizabeth, and AJ Lawrence of Canton, GA. Brother Kenneth (Ellen) Carpenter of Schenectady, NY, sister Carol (Tom) Seitzinger of Rochester, NY, and sister-in-law Margaret Lawrence of Carmel, IN., as well a host of much-loved nieces and nephews.

A Celebration of Mrs. Lawrence's life will be held on Thursday, February 17, 2022, at 2:00 PM from the Fort Hill Presbyterian Church located at 101 Edgewood Avenue Clemson, SC 29631. The family will receive friends briefly, following the service.

The family is at their respective homes, in lieu of flowers memorial contribution may be made on behalf of Mrs. Lawrence to the Oconee County Humane Society P.O. Box 966 West Union, SC 29696.

Mountain View Funerals and Cremations – Seneca Chapel is assisting the family of Mrs. Constance Carpenter Lawrence.

Previous Events

Celebration

FEB 17. 2:00 PM (ET)

Fort Hill Presbyterian Church
101 Edgewood Ave
Clemson, SC 29631
(864) 654-2061

Tribute Wall

TB

“ We were so sorry to hear about Connie! We had just seen her walking Madison on the walking trail in keowee key just a few weeks ago and had a nice conversation with her, as Madison played with her stick! She was a wonderful lady! Always upbeat, always personable, she will definitely be missed! Our thoughts and prayers go out to her husband and family! Tracy & Cathy

Tracy Baldwin - February 18, 2022 at 05:26 PM

JG

“ When Connie moved to Amy Beverland Elementary to set up and run their media center, I took her place at Mary Castle Elementary. She was a hard act to follow. The kids would tell me Mrs Lawrence didn't do it that way. She was a great colleague and always willing to answer a question or give advice. Connie will be missed. Jan Good, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Jan Good - February 17, 2022 at 12:16 PM

JS

Connie was my friend and mentor in Lawrence Township and I was proud to follow her at Amy Beverland when she retired. She was a class act and loved learning and growing throughout her career. She made a big impact on countless students and teachers.

Jamie Strebing - March 09, 2022 at 10:04 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Constance Carpenter Lawrence.



February 17, 2022 at 10:17 AM



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February 16, 2022 at 12:31 PM



“ *So sad to have heard about the passing of Mrs. Lawrence. I, along with all who crossed her path, were truly blessed to have known her. One of the highlights of visiting the Lawrence home as an adolescent was the warmth and joy in which she welcomed me in (no matter how unannounced my visit was) and the conversations in the kitchen before heading down to the basement.*

Bill Birthright - February 16, 2022 at 04:46 AM



“ *I'm so surprised and so sad to hear of Connie's passing. I sat next to her in choir. She was always SO KIND. She helped keep me straight. She didn't mind when I slipped over and tried to sing alto! I'm not there anymore, but there is a hole in my heart knowing that she isn't. Tom my heart goes out to you.*
Beth Tanner

Beth Tanner - February 15, 2022 at 07:25 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Constance Carpenter Lawrence.*



February 15, 2022 at 07:15 PM

Mo

“ 60 files added to the album Life Tributes



Mountain View Funerals and Cremations - February 14, 2022 at 05:48 PM

LH

Connie was one of my best friends ever. We had so much in common. She was always so glad to talk to me. I am going to miss her terribly. She accomplished so much in her lifetime. Her family has so much to be proud of.

Linda Highfield - February 15, 2022 at 01:47 PM



“ *Wonderful memories flood my mind when I think of Connie. Our days at MEC were such fun. Sincerely and with sympathy, Karen Brantingham*

Karen Brantingham - February 14, 2022 at 10:03 AM

SH

Dear Tom, Steven, and Andrew,

I am so saddened to hear of Connie's passing. Besides wife, mother, and grandmother, she was an outstanding educator and wonderful friend. I had the privilege of opening Amy Beverland Elementary School with Connie. She was the first Media Specialist, and I was the first principal. We learned so much together! She was super smart, caring, and very loyal. I loved her dearly.

I pray that God comforts you with the many wonderful memories we all have of her.

*Sincerely,
Susan Brash (Hintz)*

Susan Hintz - February 14, 2022 at 03:00 PM

VW

I knew Connie from the Walhalla Chapter of the DAR and at the Keowee Key dog park. I only knew of her passing because I was able to read the Scuttlebutt while up there in February. So sad for the family. Valyrie Walter now of Beaufort.

Valyrie Walter - March 04, 2022 at 09:22 AM