



Dixie Whitmire Mickler

July 26, 1954 - November 13, 2023

Dixie Whitmire Mickler
Cleveland, Tennessee

Born in New Orleans, Louisiana on July 26, 1954 to James Paul Whitmire and Bonnie Jane Shelton, Dixie “Doodles” Whitmire Mickler spent most of her childhood and teenage years in Rosman, North Carolina and then Pickens, South Carolina. More recently, she was a resident of Cleveland, Tennessee for the past ten years, where she received her eternal reward in the evening hours of Monday, November 13, at the age of 69.

A 1972 graduate of Pickens High School, her first job was at the Pickens Ice Cream Parlor where she was an employee of Leland and Lib Chappell. She was known and loved by many in the upstate of South Carolina, especially in Pickens, where she spent several years working as a legal secretary and then for the public school system. Her decision to give her heart to Christ at six years of age, and her subsequent passion for serving Him, was exceptional and apparent to all who knew her. She never allowed the difficult circumstances of her childhood and teenage years to dissuade her from being joyful and kind to others, a precious and supportive wife to her husband of 48 years, John-Robert, a fabulous mother to their children, John Christopher and Nicole, and a true friend to many. Dixie had a unique and exceptional connection to God that was the result of a dedicated prayer life, and she was

truly a Proverbs 31 woman.

In addition to her mother and father, she was preceded in death by her father-in-law and mother-in-law, John and Christine Mickler, and her brothers, Louis, George and Charles Ashe, and her sisters, Louise and Sarah.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by her son, John Christopher Mickler and wife, Kathleen, of Lone Oak, Texas and daughter, Dixie Nicole Mickler, of Houston, Texas. She is the grandmother to John Porter Mickler and Mabel June Mickler of Lone Oak, Texas. She is also survived by brother Grady (Ophelia) Ashe of Pickens, South Carolina and sister Helen (Wayne) Pearson of Liberty, South Carolina. Her extended family of sisters-in-law Patricia (Marty) Sluder and Jan (Daniel) Long and brother-in-law Steve (Sandra) Mickler were blessed when she joined the family on April 20, 1975.

A visitation will be held on Friday, November 17, 2023, from 1:00 PM until 3:00 PM in the chapel of Mountain View Funeral Home with a funeral service to follow at 3:00 PM.

Honorary pallbearers are nephews Brad Mickler, Jesse Long, Jared Long and Craig Sluder and great-nephews Gabriel Rollins and Ben Sluder.

Diagnosed at age 57 in Dallas, Texas with early onset Advanced Stage Alzheimer's disease, she was cared for by her husband John Robert, her mother-in-law, Christine Mickler, who labored diligently every day to support her care, the caregivers of AWA In-Home Care Services and Hospice of Chattanooga, Tennessee. The family would like to thank everyone who prayed and supported John Robert and Dixie through this time. Memorial donations may be made to Hospice of Chattanooga, Cleveland Office, 2145 Keith Street NW, Cleveland, Tennessee 37311.

Till we meet again!

Mountain View Funerals and Cremations - Pickens Chapel is serving the Mickler family.

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 17. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall

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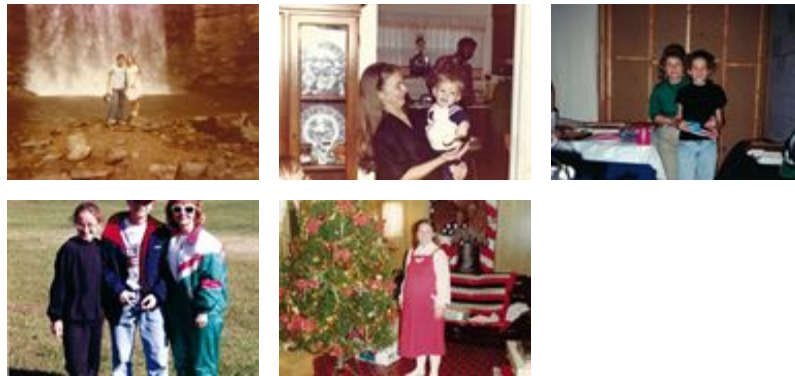
“ *To Dixies Family:
My words cannot express the loss of your wife and mother. However I want to share how kind and she was to me, during one of the most stressful times in high school. I graduated with her at Pickens High in 1972*



Marilyn Gowens Lilliston - November 17, 2023 at 04:18 PM

MV

“ 155 files added to the album LifeTributes



Mountain View Funerals and Cremations - November 17, 2023 at 11:17 AM

DA

“ *My sweet and beautiful aunt, you were so loved here on this earth! I know the heavens are singing because it did gain an angel with you. I was so proud to be called "Little Dixie" and still am. You and J.R. had such an influence on my life, things that I hold dear to this day! Being diagnosed with the same at 48, I can only imagine the journey ahead! We will meet again someday, until then, may God be with J.R., Christopher and Nicole. Love you!*

Dixie Ann - November 17, 2023 at 07:59 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Dixie Whitmire Mickler.*



November 16, 2023 at 10:16 PM



“ *Robin and I are so sorry to hear of Dixie's passing. We are praying for you all.*



Robbie and Robin Eades - November 16, 2023 at 03:43 PM



“ *Crystal G. purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Dixie Whitmire Mickler.*



Crystal G. - November 16, 2023 at 12:41 PM



“ *There was something about that smile and laughter , at an early age I knew She was a WARRIOR FOR CHRIST,SHE LIVED IT, YOU JUST KNEW !!! I was blessed to be loved by Our precious Aunt.*

Yvonne Ashe Roper - November 16, 2023 at 11:37 AM



We all were loved by her

Yvonne Ashe Roper - November 16, 2023 at 11:41 AM



“ Your Heart Water Globe was purchased for the family of Dixie Whitmire Mickler.



November 16, 2023 at 08:18 AM



“ Brenda and Keith Baggett We Love you planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dixie Whitmire Mickler.

Brenda and Keith Baggett We Love you - November 16, 2023 at 08:18 AM



“ I met John through the care of my Spouse Brenda with A W A and realized the love he shared with Dixie was beyond any I have ever experienced. They are the true example of love every couple should share with each other. John is a wonderful husband and example that of " In sickness and in health.. till death do you part". Thanks my friend for allowing me to share in such a great example. It is but a brief moment we will share this loss compared to the eternity to come. God bless you and your family. May the peace of God keep you until you meet again. Keith Baggett

Brenda Baggett - November 16, 2023 at 08:07 AM



“ John Robert, Steve & Sandra & Patricia: Dixie was such a precious lady. We often saw each other through our work connections many years ago. She was always smiling and such a joyful person! Deepest sympathy and prayers for you all!
Sandi Tinsley

Sandi Tinsley - November 16, 2023 at 01:55 AM

SM

Thank you Sandi! You are one of those friends to always hold on to. We appreciate the prayers!

Sandra Mickler - November 20, 2023 at 03:18 PM

GF

“ Dixie was a very sweet & special friend. We graduated PHS 1972. I will be praying for the family, love to all.



Glenda Fowler - November 15, 2023 at 11:46 PM

CK

“ Dixie was such a sweetheart! Praying for John Robert and Aunt Chris. Love you! Cindy Mickler Kelcher



Cindy Kelcher - November 15, 2023 at 11:03 PM



“ Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dixie Whitmire Mickler.



November 15, 2023 at 10:48 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dixie Whitmire Mickler.*



November 15, 2023 at 10:46 PM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dixie Whitmire Mickler.*



November 15, 2023 at 10:34 PM



“ *Patricia Land/ A W A in homecare planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dixie Whitmire Mickler.*

Patricia Land/ A W A in homecare - November 15, 2023 at 10:34 PM



“ *I have so many fond memories of the years that we attended church with John Robert and Dixie at Gap Hill!! She was a precious person and always so kind and loving to everyone!! My sincere condolences to the family. You will be in my thoughts and prayers in the difficult days ahead.
Susan Knight Fendley*

Susan Knight Fendley - November 15, 2023 at 10:25 PM

RA

“ Ronald Keith Ashe sent a virtual gift in memory of Dixie Whitmire Mickler



Ronald Keith Ashe - November 15, 2023 at 10:17 PM

RA

“ Jesus called a saint of God home yesterday, Dixie lived her life for her family and God. She was such an example of a true Christian to so many people, our prayers are going up for Robert , Chris and Nichole we love you ALL. Keith & Tena

Ronald Keith Ashe - November 15, 2023 at 10:15 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Dixie Whitmire Mickler.



November 15, 2023 at 08:54 PM

TO

“ So many memories, I will forever cherish. ❤️ 🌍



Tina Owens - November 15, 2023 at 08:52 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Dixie Whitmire Mickler.*



November 15, 2023 at 08:04 PM



“ *I remember being classmates with Dixie way back in grammar school always up to highschool! She was a sweet person who could always lift you up! Prayers for the family may God comfort you all during this difficult time!*

Ricky Powell - November 15, 2023 at 07:41 PM



“ *TERESA L BAKER lit a candle in memory of Dixie Whitmire Mickler*



TERESA L BAKER - November 15, 2023 at 05:35 PM



“ *My deepest condolences goes to John Robert, Christopher, Nicole, grandchildren and all the extended family. I've known Dixie most of my life and she was a living example to me always of what a true Christian Woman is. My heart is heavy but Heaven is rejoicing that this Saint is home at last!*

Carletta Chastain - November 15, 2023 at 04:16 PM

SG

“ So sorry to hear about Dixie passed. She was a friend and a classmate of 1972. May The Lord Comfort all of you during this sad time. My prayers and thoughts are with all of you. She'll be missed by family and friends.

Shirley Diane Hutto Grant (Diane)

Shirley Diane Hutto Grant - November 15, 2023 at 02:52 PM

SG

“ Shirley Diane Hutto Grant lit a candle in memory of Dixie Whitmire Mickler



Shirley Diane Hutto Grant - November 15, 2023 at 02:48 PM



“ Mary Conner lit a candle in memory of Dixie Whitmire Mickler



Mary Conner - November 15, 2023 at 02:39 PM