



Leona Mary Neely Sanders

June 7, 1941 - May 24, 2016

Duncan – Leona Neely Sanders, 74, of Duncan, passed away Tuesday, May 24, 2016 at SRMC. She was the loving wife of Ronald “Red” Sanders and the daughter of the late Roy and Katherine Smith Neely of Greer.

Mrs. Sanders was an active member of Duncan First Baptist Church, the Masie Barefoot Sunday School Class, and the Backpack Ministry. She worked most of her career at Charles Lee Center in Spartanburg and most recently with This Is My Child (TIMC) preschool program at Middle Tyger Community Center.

In addition to her husband, Leona is survived by two sons, Chris Sanders and his wife Cindy, and Jason Sanders; one grandson, Toby Sanders and his wife Nicole; three great grandchildren, Ryleigh, Maci, and Jackson; one brother, Richard Neely; and two sisters, Juanita Redden and Sharon Trotter and her husband Jerry. She is preceded in death by two sons, Darryl and Philip Sanders; one brother, Roy B. Neely, Jr.; and three sisters, Dorothy Sloan, Peggy Ann Neely, and Estelle Smith.

Visitation will be 11:00 am to 1:00 pm Friday, May 27, 2016 at Duncan First Baptist Church with the service immediately following. Dr. H. Wilson Nelson and Rev. Sam Coats will officiate. Interment will be at Wood Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to: Duncan First Baptist Church, c/o Backpack Ministry, 103 E. Main St., Duncan, SC 29334.

Cemetery Details

Wood Memorial Park

863 W. Gap Creek Road
Duncan, SC 29334

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 27. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

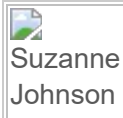
Duncan First Baptist Church
103 East Main Street
Duncan, SC

Service

MAY 27. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



Suzanne Johnson

“ Chris and Cindy, I'm so sorry to hear of Leona's passing. I pray God comforts you all at this time. Suzanne Johnson

Suzanne Johnson - June 04, 2016 at 09:35 PM



Clover Meadow

Thank you, Suzanne.

Clover Meadow - June 05, 2016 at 06:23 AM

TF

“ The Washington family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Leona Mary Neely Sanders.



The Washington family - May 26, 2016 at 08:19 PM

DH

“ Aunt Leona, was a precious lady! She had a gentle and loving spirit. Her natural Inclinations was seeing and responding to life's situations from God's perspective (Proverbs 9:10) She was a great aunt and will be missed dearly!

Love you all,
Donna Hughes

Donna Hughes - May 26, 2016 at 03:08 PM

CS

Well said, Donna!

Cindy Sanders - May 26, 2016 at 11:51 PM

BV

“ When I think of Leona I think of Proverbs 31:28," Her children arise and call her blessed and her husband also, and he praises her." She was the most godly woman I know and loved the Lord with all her heart. She will be truly missed. We are praying for your comfort and strength. Love you all Ted and Brenda Vaughn

Brenda Vaughn - May 26, 2016 at 09:05 AM

CS

Thanks. Shel loved ya'll.

Cindy Sanders - May 26, 2016 at 11:53 PM

MA

“ Martha, Amy, Summer, Autumn purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Leona Mary Neely Sanders.



Martha, Amy, Summer, Autumn - May 26, 2016 at 08:18 AM

MS

“ Leona was such a sweet, caring woman. I truly enjoyed knowing her and attending church with her at Duncan First Baptist. She was kind and soft-spoken and loved the Lord. She was the kind of woman who was an example to the rest of us.

Margie Starnes

Margie Starnes - May 26, 2016 at 07:44 AM



CS

Thank you for your kind words.

Cindy Sanders - May 26, 2016 at 11:55 PM

SH

“ *When the Lord calls our loved ones home, he leaves a gift of memories in exchange. Prayers for the while family!*

Sandra Hughes - May 26, 2016 at 07:04 AM

CS

Amen!

Cindy Sanders - May 26, 2016 at 11:57 PM

CS

“ *Papa, Toby & Nanny*



Cindy Sanders - May 26, 2016 at 06:50 AM

MR

“ *Leona was one of the most patient , kind, Godly and strong women I've truly ever known. She knew so much loss in her life yet her faith was constant. She is truly a diamond in the rough. I will miss her!*

melissa ragsdale - May 25, 2016 at 10:46 PM

CS

She loved you , Melissa, and was so proud of you. --Cindy

Cindy Sanders - May 26, 2016 at 06:26 AM

JS

We have been family for many years. She was such a sweet , loving, kind person; a true family person. She will be missed but never forgotten.

Jan Revis Smith - May 26, 2016 at 02:44 PM

RW

*Our Sister has gone home and is no longer in pain and the psalmist has said, "Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints." Ps 116:15 Praise the Lord!
Robert/Doris*

Robert/Doris Washington - May 26, 2016 at 06:52 PM

SE

“ To the family of Leona, I got to know Leona when my daughter was a student at Charles Lea and Leona was her bus driver. She was such a wonderful lady and always cared so much about those children. I never had to worry knowing my child was leaving Spartanburg on a bus with Leona. It was not a difficult time for me because I knew she would take care of my daughter. My daughter and I love her dearly. We will pray for you all for I know her passing is a great loss to all of you. May God bless you in this difficult time. With love and much compassion. Sherry and Stacy Earle

Sherry Earle - May 25, 2016 at 09:40 PM

CS

Thank you for sharing this lovely memory. Cindy Sanders

Cindy Sanders - May 26, 2016 at 06:43 AM

JW

*“ Red, I am sending sympathy and prayers to you. I am very shocked to learn of Leona's passing. God bless you and your family and give you extra strength.
Sincerely.*

Judy Walker - May 25, 2016 at 07:48 PM

DA

“*Doug, Ethel, and Autumn purchased the Secret Garden Basket for the family of Leona Mary Neely Sanders.*



Doug, Ethel, and Autumn - May 25, 2016 at 07:25 PM

MG

“*My heart breaks at the passing of this beautiful, sweet person. Charlie and I have known her, Red, and the children for at least 50 years. We were all young together. May God comfort the family through this sad time and beyond today. We will remember Leona with fondness. Love, Mary Alice and Charlie Gowan*

Mary Gowan - May 25, 2016 at 05:19 PM

CS

Thanks for sharing your lovely thoughts.

Cindy Sanders - May 26, 2016 at 06:55 AM