



Nancy Helman Slagle

February 28, 1936 - April 7, 2025

Nancy Helman Slagle of Duncan, South Carolina, born on February 28, 1936, walked through the gates of heaven on April 7, 2025, at age 89. She was a woman of quiet strength, warmth, and deep devotion to her family.

Nancy grew up in Johnstown, Pennsylvania, the beloved daughter of John and Alveretta Helman.

Nancy was married to Harold Slagle for 48 years, until his death in 2012, sharing a loving and enduring partnership built on faith, family, and mutual respect. Together they raised four children. Nancy and Harold moved to Cape Coral, Florida, in 1978, and to Pearland, Texas, in 1982 where they lived until 2021. At that time, Nancy and LuAnn moved to Duncan SC.

She is survived by her son Gary Slagle (wife Laurel) and daughter Cheryl Patterson. She was a proud and loving grandmother to Ryan Patterson, Christopher Slagle (wife Nicole), Timothy Slagle (wife Shelby) and the late Brittany Patterson, as well as a proud great-grandmother to Mackenzie Slagle. Besides her husband and granddaughter, Nancy was preceded in death by her daughter LuAnn Slagle, son Terry Slagle and son-in-law, Donald Patterson. Though their absences were deeply felt, Nancy carried their memory with grace and love.

A woman of deep faith, Nancy was a longtime member of Shadycrest Baptist Church in Pearland, Texas, where she found strength, friendship and spiritual community for many years. She was the Floral Coordinator for many of those years and enjoyed decorating the altar and sanctuary. She was also dedicated

to her work, having spent many years at Walgreens and In His Steps Preschool, where she made lasting connections and touched many lives. She had a deep love for Christmas, which she expressed through her enchanting Christmas Village displays—a carefully curated collection of ceramic houses and miniature scenes that brought joy to family, friends, and visitors alike. Each year, she transformed her home into a magical winter wonderland, creating a Dickensian world filled with twinkling lights, carolers, and snowy rooftops—a reflection of her generous spirit and eye for beauty. In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requests that memorial contributions be made to <https://www.goldenruleservices.org> in her honor. Alternatively, you may choose to celebrate her memory by sharing a bit of seasonal joy—perhaps by adding to your own Christmas Village or embracing the spirit of the holidays she so dearly loved.

She will be remembered for her gentle spirit, kind heart and the steady, comforting presence she offered to all who knew her. Nancy will be deeply missed and forever loved.

The family will receive friends on Friday, April 18, 2025, at Living Waters Funeral Home & Crematory from 2:00 PM – 2:30 PM; 529 Spartanburg Hwy S. Lyman, SC 29365. A Celebration of Life will begin at 2:30PM in the chapel.

Previous Events

Receiving Friends

APR 18. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Very nice remembrance of a life that truly made a difference in so many people’s lives. I will always remember Aunt Nancy as a supportive and loving being. Not in a pie in the sky idealistic dreamer way but more in realistic and uplifting way. A person that seemed to inherently understand that you can not simultaneously lift someone up by putting them down. Over the years I always saw our talks as safe harbor, a no judgement zone if you will. I regret as I grew older I retreated more into myself and did not lean into her support, knowledge and love. I will never forget and will always be indebted to her.*

I wish that she could have touched more people maybe the world would have been a better place for it. I admire her loyalty to her children and it was often a how to for me as I struggled to be a good parent striving to be great one. Your strength must have been a drain though you seemed to be tireless and always full of grace. Rest now , you earned many times over, your legacy will live on in all those you touched and nurtured.

Love you Aunt Nancy.

Ed Schuster

Ed Schuster - April 18, 2025 at 08:45 PM

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“ *Rest in Peace Aunt Nancy. You are going home to Chap, LuAnn, TJ, Ron, my mom Joanne, and your brother and father and mother. You will be missed by all. Peace and Love...*



Eric Schuster - April 17, 2025 at 10:12 PM

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“ My dear sweet Aunt Nancy was an amazing woman full of love for the Lord and her family. When her sweet sister, my Mother passed, she stepped in for me and helped me feel loved and supported. She always took my calls or got back to me and made me feel special. I loved her with all my heart and although I'll miss her terribly, I'm so grateful 🙏 she is in heaven with the Lord she loved and trusted and her children, husband and siblings. Thank you Lord for the influence she had on my life. Join me in celebrating an amazing life well lived.
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Edyie - April 17, 2025 at 05:38 PM



“ My husband and I met Nancy later in her life, in 2021. Our first impression of her is what a loving mother she was; she was still caring for LuAnn at that time, even though Nancy was in her 80s. In addition to her great love for her family, I enjoyed talking with Nancy about a few of her other passions, including reading, flowers, and dogs. She was a sweet, lovely lady!

Michele Deppe - April 16, 2025 at 09:31 PM

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“ I will always remember your lovely mother, Cheryl. She was so helpful and had a smile of her face every time I was with her, especially at Walgreens. She was a loving mother who will be truly missed but will live on in you. You embody many of her virtues.
Love you, Anne

Anne Sadtler - April 14, 2025 at 06:15 PM