



Juanita Sikes Wooten

February 28, 1940 - July 4, 2019

Juanita Sikes Wooten, 79, passed away on July 4, 2019 following a courageous battle with cancer at the Alive Hospice in Nashville, TN. Juanita was born on February 28, 1940, the daughter of the late James Gilbert and Mary Evelyn McLemore Sikes.

She was a loving wife, mother and grandmother, who loved taking trips and vacationing with her family. She was a 1958 graduate of Northside High School and a 1962 Graduate of Union University. She married the love of her life, Tracy Wooten on July 27, 1963. As an educator, her teaching career spanned nearly forty years. As an avid reader, she was inspired to become a teacher and began her teaching career in the fall of 1962 in the Memphis City Schools and it was there during her first teaching assignment that she met her husband of fifty-five years at Westside High School. Juanita later received her Master of Education from Trevecca Nazarene University. Coming from Memphis, Juanita continued her teaching career in the Jackson-Madison County School System, teaching both Junior High and High School students. She was a Beta Club Sponsor at Northside High School and was treasurer in the Jackson-Madison County Retired Teachers Association. She possessed a great love for history, civics and the English language. She always had an interest and understanding for the U.S. Constitution. She would frequently proofread projects and schoolwork of her children and grandchildren clearing up any grammar questions. She had an admiration for historical sites and would always be curiously amazed and interested in its history. She was a member of West Jackson Baptist Church of Jackson. Juanita was a very optimistic person who received great pleasure out of the little things in life.

She is survived by her husband, Tracy Wooten of Jackson, TN; daughters, Vicki Wooten Scott of Ridgeland, MS and Elaine Wooten Loboda (Dr. Joseph Loboda) of Montclair, NJ; a son, Stan Wooten III (Lori) of Franklin, TN; brothers, James Gilbert Sikes, Jr. (Lelia), David Sikes (Suzanne) of Jackson, TN, Phil Sikes (Mary) of Sevierville, TN and Tim Sikes (Amber) of Jackson, TN; two sisters, Carol Sikes Kidney of Memphis, TN and Una Sikes Kernodle (Don) of Wasilla, AK; four grandchildren, Thad Scott, Elizabeth Scott, Jenny Wooten and Anna Grace Wooten.

She was preceded in death by a brother, Rob Sikes.

SERVICES: A memorial service will be held at 1:00 PM Friday, July 12, 2019 in the chapel

of Arrington Funeral Directors, with Rev. Ron Hale and officiating. The family will be receiving friends from 11:00 AM until 1:00 PM prior to the service. The family requests that memorials be directed to West Jackson Baptist Church, 580 Oil Well Rd Jackson, TN 38305.

Events

JUL **Memorial Visitation** 11:00AM - 01:00PM

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148 W. University Parkway, Jackson, TN, US, 38305

JUL **Memorial Service** 01:00PM

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Comments



“ I met Juanita for the first time in 1990. She was very lovely lady. She was welcoming and accommodating toward me and my family.

Max Joyce (aka Max Wooten)
334-213-0875

Max Joyce - July 21 at 08:11 AM



“ Juanita was a great person, good neighbor. We loved her very much. She will be greatly missed.

Charles Patterson - July 09, 2019 at 04:01 PM



“ There are no words to express my [our] sorrow on your loss. We will miss her very much, as will you. I am really frustrated at my ineptness at describing how much pain you all are going through now. Tracy, you and Juanita are a excellent example of two good people becoming so SPECIAL to us. My greatest regret is that I did not know you all better than I did. Distance can be a terrible thing, in that it can rob you of getting to know family. Call it life. call it many things, but, it leaves a hole that seems empty. Our hearts & prayers go to everyone there, even though as distant as we are, we are family all of us. And that is pretty special as I see it. Thank-you for letting us[me] be a part of it Kernodle family:Don, Una,Russ, Trent & Kay

russ kernodle - July 09, 2019 at 12:03 PM



“ My heartfelt sympathy are with Juanita's family and friends. She was a wonderful encourager for me when my Mother in Love struggled with health issues and I'm so sorry I didn't know of her illness, so I could be there for her. Prayers are with you all!

Betsy Bailey Barnes - July 08, 2019 at 06:53 PM



“ Charlie and I send our deepest condolences. She was a strong and kind person. Will miss talking with her over the fence. As a neighbor she was the best. Praying for all of you in this time of need.

Charles - July 09, 2019 at 03:51 PM



“ Tracy, I can't imagine what it would be like to lose a spouse. You all were so close. Juanita was such a strong woman as a teacher, wife, and mother. She had a great influence on so many lives. Stan, Vickie and Elaine have so much to be proud of and such great memories as do many of us who worked with her. O'Neal Henley

O'Neal Henley - July 08, 2019 at 06:41 PM



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Charles - July 09, 2019 at 03:58 PM