



## Doris Parkman

April 22, 1922 - February 7, 2016

Doris Parkman of Palmetto, Georgia, died peacefully surrounded by her family early Sunday afternoon, February 7, 2016. Doris was dedicated to her family and to serving God. Doris was the youngest and last survivor of the eleven children of Malcolm and Ida McKoy. Doris is survived by her six children, Dan Parkman (Nancy), Leawood, Kansas, Susan Shillito (Bob), St. Louis, Missouri, Henry Parkman (Diane), Decatur, Georgia, Leslie Roe (Brian), Durham, England, Laura Pfister (Carl), Suwanee, Georgia, and Olivia Fordham (Rob), Snellville, Georgia, fifteen grandchildren, and ten great grandchildren. Her loving husband Hugo and two grandchildren preceded Doris in death. Doris was born on April 22, 1922, and grew up on a small farm in Logan, Cullman County, Alabama. She was active in 4-H Club and served on the debate and basketball teams at Cullman County High School. Doris was the first in her family to attend college. Following high school graduation, Doris enrolled in Alabama College in Montevallo, Alabama, where she majored in secretarial science. Doris graduated in 1945 with a B.S. degree, then attended WMU Training School in Louisville, Kentucky, to study religious education, where she became friends with Hewlett Parkman. In 1946, Hewlett invited Doris to visit Hewlett's home in Langdale, Alabama. There, Doris met Hewlett's brother Hugo, who had just returned to Alabama after serving in the U.S. Navy during World War II. Hugo and Doris quickly realized that they were meant for each other, fell in love, got married in Nashville on December 31, 1946. They started a home together in Langdale, Alabama, where Hugo founded and

managed a motel. In 1956, then with four young children, Doris and Hugo felt God's calling and were appointed to serve as foreign missionaries by the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board. In December 1957, now with two new babies, Doris, Hugo and their six children moved to Manila, Philippines. Doris and Hugo soon started a church in their home. That church grew and, 57 years later, is still thriving in the bank district in Makati, Philippines. Doris founded a children's school at the church, and served as director for many years. In 1984, Hugo and Doris retired from their service as Baptist missionaries, and moved to Decatur, Georgia, where they became active in the First Baptist Church of Decatur. In 2005, they moved to Palmetto, Georgia in 2005. Doris and Hugo joined Palmetto Baptist Church, where Doris remained active after Hugo's passing. Viewing will be between 6 and 8 p.m. on Thursday, February 11, 2016, at the Parrott Funeral Home, 8355 Senoia Road, Fairburn, Georgia. A memorial service will be held at the Old Palmetto Baptist Church on Saturday, February 13, 2016, at 11 a.m. A graveside service will be held at 2:00 p.m., Friday, February 12, 2016, at the Georgia National Cemetery in Canton, Georgia. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering through local Baptist churches or online at the International Mission Board website. Those wishing may sign the on line guestbook at [www.parrottfuneralhome.com](http://www.parrottfuneralhome.com). Parrott Funeral Home & Crematory, 770-964-4800.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 11. 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Parrott Funeral Home & Crematory  
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# Tribute Wall

CP

“ *Its so hard to write of Doris knowing Ill have to wait sometime to hug her again! The Lord, through a series of God-ordained events, placed me in the presence of Doris & Hugo from 1982-present. Doris and I watched a Billy Graham crusade in her Decatur GA home in December, 1982. At the conclusion, she pulled a booklet out of her purse - The 4 Spiritual Laws. I prayed every word therein that night (Dec 9, 1982). I entered into a personal relationship with the living God that night. 3 days later, the Lord confirmed His presence in me, saying "Youve been a fool," and, "You have NOTHING to fear any longer!"*

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**Carl Pfister** - February 16, 2016 at 12:00 AM

TW

“ *What an honor and privilege to have met Mr. & Mrs. Parkman. They both always made my day when I would deliver flowers from Dan and Family. Their love for God was radiant and they always made me Smile. God Bless your family, she will be missed.*

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**Tabitha Williams** - February 13, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ *To the Doris Parkman family. Please accept our condolences from the Palmetto Park Family. Doris has been an integral part of the Palmetto Park Family for many years. We take comfort in the words of the Psalmist "...weeping may endure for the night, but joy comes in the morning." JW Wallis, Chaplain*

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**JW Wallis** - February 12, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LH

“ *Very good Langdale memories of your sweet family at Langdale Baptist Church. I remember your moms sweet smile and kind heart. My mom, Euthel Hill, loved your mother and your family. She hopes to come to the memorial service. Thinking of you and praying for you as you celebrate Doris Parkmans Life.*

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**Lona Hill Hawkins** - February 12, 2016 at 12:00 AM

RT

“ *Doris was a giver of hugs. She would get up from her seat wearing a smile and walk halfway across the church to give me a hug on Sunday mornings. I am hugging the family in thought and prayer as the Lord holds you close in His heart.*

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**Rebecca Thompson** - February 12, 2016 at 12:00 AM

TC

“ *Our prayers go out to the family of Doris Parkman. She was a wonderful Christian that lead so many to Christ. We will miss her smiling face and loving spirit.*

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**Tom and Irene Carpenter** - February 11, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ *Our thought and prayers are with the family. Ms. Doris was truly a Godly woman. She always had a smile and a big hug for everyone. She was an inspiration to everyone that she met. She will truly be missed by everyone that knew her.*

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**Don and Kathy West** - February 11, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ Aunt Doris was a remarkable woman in many ways and as a MK growing up with her kids I was always amazed at her high energy level and ability to manage so many things at one time. The Parkman home in Makati was a regular meeting place for the Chow & Chatter crew so it was not uncommon to see her bring order to chaotic scenes that involved many American MKs in her living room. She always did so with a smile on her face.

Over the years, Aunt Doris remained in regular contact with Steve, my parents and I. Her many kindnesses to our family will never be forgotten. Steve called before Christmas to tell me of a call from Aunt Doris and a message for me.

The example set for all of us by the love and devotion displayed every day for her family and her Savior are well remembered by the MKs that had the opportunity to view Aunt Doris in action. I was looking forward to receiving one of those Aunt Doris hugs at the reunion this summer, but God obviously had other plans for her.

I join the Parkman family in celebrating a life well lived and a woman much loved. I know her physical presence is gone from this earth, but the difference her life made to so many still shines on.

Prayers for the family from Carol & Steve Solesbee and Betty Cross.

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Carol R. Solesbee - February 11, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LH

“ Although we only knew them from the Palmetto time, Mrs. Doris and Mr. Hugo made such an impact on our lives. She was an absolute delight and we connected in so many ways. I loved them both and have missed her since I had to move to take care of my Mother. Your family has been so very blessed and I can only imagine the celebration and the gratitude for all those that they helped lead to our Lord. James & Lynette Harper

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**Lynette Harper** - February 11, 2016 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ May Jehovah God comfort you during this time of loss. Though there may be little that can be said or done to ease your pain, may you find comfort in knowing that many care and sympathize with your sadness. Always know that Jehovah God is with you to strengthen and guide you. May your trust in his promise of a resurrection bring you peace. – Acts 24:15

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**K.L. Banks** - February 10, 2016 at 12:00 AM

GA

“ Henry and Diane, we are terribly sorry for your loss. May the days ahead be easier for you. Much love,

*Gary and Sam Alexander*

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**gary and sam alexander** - February 10, 2016 at 12:00 AM

VT

“ What a wonderful and long life she lived! I loved seeing the video. I know you will all miss her, but that you will all have so many memories that will comfort you.

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**Virginia Uhl Tinsley** - February 10, 2016 at 12:00 AM

RF

“ We served with them from 1982 until their retirement. Hugo was distantly related to me. My family was from Camp Hill, Alabama.

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**Ron and Janet Flurry** - February 10, 2016 at 12:00 AM

PA

“ We send our thoughts and prayers to all the family and thank our Lord Jesus Christ for the precious memories of Doris and Hugo (always together). Doris was a wonderful mentor to me (Martha) and I loved and admired her so much. She loved all our children too and always opened her home to us and so many others. She was the one who taught me how to bargain at Cartimar and helped me feel at home in Manila. We were so thankful they were in our lives. We know that you all treasure sweet memories too of a loving Mother and Father. God bless you all. We are sorry we cannot be there, but we know you understand. With love, "Uncle Phillip" and "Aunt Martha".

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**Phillp and Martha Anderson** - February 09, 2016 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ Doris and Hugo were beloved friends who impacted and influenced so many lives in the Philippines. We had the privilege of serving as pastor of the church they founded in Manila. They leave a beautiful legacy both there and in their wonderful children.

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**Bob and Rosalie Hunt** - February 09, 2016 at 12:00 AM

NS

“ Doris and I were room mates at Alabama College in Montevallo. She was such a dear friend and she will be greatly missed. Your family will be in our thoughts and prayers.

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**Nancy Cowart Sims** - February 09, 2016 at 12:00 AM

RP

“ My Mother told me she would babysit Doris when they were young children. Aunt Doris certainly had a long and fruitful life.

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**Ronald & Elizabeth Parker** - February 09, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ My condolences to the family. The Parkmans were our neighbors in the Philippines when our family transferred there from Vietnam.

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**Doug Compher** - February 09, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JL

“ Everette and I are so saddened at the home going of Ms Doris! She was such a special lady to us! She and \_Mr Hugo went many places with us after they were no longer driving and it was such a joy to have them along! We helped Ms Doris to move to her apartment at Baptist Manor and had a lot of fun with her! We will miss her so much but we know she was welcomed to her heavenly home by God and Mr Hugo! She will be in our hearts forever!

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**Judy and Everette Long** - February 09, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LO

“ To the loving memory of Aunt Doris. Beautiful lady inside and out.

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**LeeAnn Matthews Ofotokun** - February 09, 2016 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ Dear family, our prayers are with you during this time. Your dear mother was great influence on my childhood which carried into my adult life and ministry. Im thankful I was able to see you girls and your mother last May. That was one of the highlights of my visit. We will continue to pray for you in these days ahead. Sending love.

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**Ritchie Oldham Hale** - February 09, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LH

“ How does one express what wonderful friends both Doris and Hugo were - they were 100% what they said they were and they loved people dearly!! I can only rejoice that Doris is in her heavenly home with family and that she eagerly awaits her "children" by birth and by "adoption" to be there with her for eternity. To the family: May God give you such sweet memories of her love and devotion for you! You were always described in her words and her pride in your lives was so evident!!

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**Linda and Jim Hudson** - February 09, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ Hugo and Doris made us feel loved and accepted as newly appointed missionaries in 1972. They loved our three small sons.

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**charles and Dottie Brock** - February 09, 2016 at 12:00 AM

GD

“ I am so sorry to hear of Ms. Doris passing, she was a wonderful neighbor and we met on the side of the road in front of my house where she enjoyed feeding my cows. She was such a precious lady. Sorry I am unable to attend her service due to the fact I have just lost my son 2 weeks ago.

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**Glenda Dunaway** - February 08, 2016 at 12:00 AM

NC

“ My thoughts and prayers are with your family during this difficult time of loss.

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**Narni Cahill** - February 08, 2016 at 12:00 AM