



## Florie Verner Kennedy

November 19, 1922 - May 29, 2021

Florie Verner Kennedy of Palmetto, Georgia, died Saturday, May 29, at Brightmoor Hospice in Griffin. She was 98.

Born on November 19, 1922, in Paulding County, she was the daughter of the late Snowden and Leone Verner. She was also preceded in death by her husband of 60½ years, James Kennedy; her sisters, Mary Dutton and Lois Leggett; her brothers, Jake, Terrell and Roy Verner; and her son-in-law, Joe Kieve.

Florie grew up in Gay, Georgia, where she worked and lived on the family farm and reveled in activities such as basketball and drama. After graduating from North Georgia Technical College, she married James and began work building radios for the War effort during World War II. After having her first child, she started the work she relished the most – raising a family and serving God through the church.

Over the years, Florie and James lived in Atlanta, Albany and Jonesboro, where they were members of Sherwood Baptist Church in Albany, Byne Memorial Baptist Church in Albany, and McDonough Road Baptist Church in Fayetteville. She served these churches in various capacities - singing in the choir, teaching Sunday School, and serving as a missions leader on the church, association and state level.

After James' death in 2003, Florie moved to the Baptist Manor in Palmetto, where she was a faithful member of the community and attended Providence Baptist Church in Chattahoochee Hills. In the last two years, she lived at Ashley Glen Senior Living and Memory Care in Peachtree City.

She is survived by her daughter, Dale Kieve of Newnan, and two sons: Jimmy (Lucy) Kennedy of Charleston, South Carolina, and Paul (Delinda) Kennedy of Conyers. She is also survived by six grandchildren – Jay Kieve, John Kennedy, Mary Jo Kieve Hollis, Snowden Kennedy, Kelly Kennedy Dixon and Jenny Kennedy – and eight great-grandchildren. Affectionately known as “Mema,” she will long be remembered for her fondness of red lipstick, her speed on an electric wheelchair, and her admonition to “just slick your ears back and do it” when facing challenges.

The family expresses appreciation to the staffs of the Baptist Manor and Ashley Glen for their care and devotion.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, June 2, 2021 at 2 o'clock in the Chapel of Parrott Funeral Home with Rev. Dr. Jay Kieve officiating. Interment will be held at Forest Lawn Memorial Gardens. Those wishing may sign the online guestbook at [www.parrottfuneralhome.com](http://www.parrottfuneralhome.com). The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service on Wednesday at Parrott Funeral Home and Crematory, 770-964-4800.

# Cemetery Details

## Forest Lawn Memorial Gardens

5755 Mallory Road  
College Park, GA 30349

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 2. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Parrott Funeral Home & Crematory  
8355 Senoia Road  
Fairburn, GA 30213  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Florie Verner Kennedy.* ”



May 31, 2021 at 09:34 PM



“ *Judy, Allan, Chris and Angela and their families purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Florie Verner Kennedy.* ”



**Judy, Allan, Chris and Angela and their families** - May 31, 2021 at 06:02 PM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Florie Verner Kennedy.* ”



May 31, 2021 at 12:00 PM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Florie Verner Kennedy.* ”



May 31, 2021 at 11:07 AM

DB

“ Dale, Jimmy ad Paul sorry I can't be with you on Wednesday, but just know you are in my prayers. Aunt Florida was a special sister in law to daddy. Love Debbie Kennedy Brooks

Debbie Brooks - May 31, 2021 at 12:27 AM

EO

“ Florie was a wonderful, kind, sweet lady. Her Uncle - my Grandpa, Dewey Verner, loved Florie, and all of her family. Our condolences to the Kennedy family. Elizabeth Olson & family.



Elizabeth Olson - May 30, 2021 at 10:16 PM



“ Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Florie Verner Kennedy.



May 30, 2021 at 05:58 PM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Florie Verner Kennedy.



May 30, 2021 at 04:23 PM

CE

“ Ms.florie was a very special person who was loved by everyone always had a helping hand who needed it.she will always be remembered. 🌹 R I P !Love Christine Edwards

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**Christine Edwards** - May 30, 2021 at 02:54 PM

PD

“ Phil & Sandra Davis lit a candle in memory of Florie Verner Kennedy



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**Phil & Sandra Davis** - May 30, 2021 at 07:38 AM

BW

“ While serving at Palmetto Baptist Church as Minister to Senior Adults as part of my privilege was to visit Baptist Manor. While my visits were opportunities to extend my ministry, I was so blessed to meet so many new friends. Mrs. Florie was always so careful to be the lady she was. Never did I see her without having dressed and prepared to look her best. She always had a smile and a kind word to say to us all. She so much enjoyed the chapel services, as I would come and lead them all in Bible study and worship. I enjoyed my personal time with her, listening to her stories of "those days gone by". She will be missed, but never forgotten. To the family, please know that Mrs. Florie was loved and that she so loved her family. May God encourage you all to live your life as she lived hers.

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**Buddy Waldron** - May 30, 2021 at 06:46 AM

BC

*Florie Kennedy was the most wonderful Christian Lady that I have ever known. Her husband, James Kennedy was the wonderful Christian gentleman tha I ever knew. Together they were wonderful. Florie was a very precious friend & a great Sunday School Teacher. She & James raised a Christian family. I will always be thankful to have Florie & James as special friends to me. I look forward to meeting Florie & James in heaven. I love her daughter, Dale. Blessings to the Kennedy & Kieve Family.*

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**Bill & Sandy Coley** - June 02, 2021 at 12:00 PM

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*“ What a terrific lady! Gene and I had great love for Florie! Great memories for me! Loved ! Sally Turkett*

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**Sally Turkett** - May 29, 2021 at 10:05 PM