



Rosa Wilson

February 4, 1926 - February 4, 2016

Mrs. Rosa Wilson, age 90, of Union City (formerly of East Point) passed away Thursday, February 4, 2016. Mrs. Wilson was a Fulton County School System retiree, serving as a teacher at Hapeville High School for 32 years. She was preceded in death by her husband, James Hilliard Wilson and is survived by her daughter, Lyn Pridmore and her husband, Jim of Fairburn, granddaughter, Jami Pridmore; great grandson, Alex Casillas; daughter, Deborah Brown and her husband, Edward of Sharpsburg; grandchildren, Nanette Gootee and her husband, Ragan, Jeremy Brown and his wife Anna; great grandchildren, Ronan Gootee, Conall Gootee, Jackson Brown, Emma Brown; sister, Martha McLallen of Birmingham, AL; nieces and nephews. A graveside service will be held Saturday, February 6, 2016 at 4 o'clock at Forest Lawn Memorial Gardens with Rev. Daniel McFarland officiating. Those wishing may sign the online guestbook at www.parrottfuneralhome.com. The family will receive friends Saturday, February 6, 2016 from 1:00 until 3:30 p.m. at Parrott Funeral Home & Crematory, 770-964-4800.

Tribute Wall

LP

“ *Mother's birth date was December 27, 1925, not as shown above.*

Lyn Wilson Pridmore - December 21, 2021 at 07:34 PM

DB

“ *First of all, I would like to thank all of you for the time you have taken to share about my mom. I am so grateful for the legacy and inspiration I have received from mom as a dedicated educator. Even more, I am blessed to have had such a great mom. Her love for the Lord, His Word, and His church was most important to her. She loved her whole family with the same devotion as she did teaching. She was always a source of love and encouragement to us, praying and wanting His best for us. She will be sorely missed. Love you so much mom!!*

Debbie Brown - February 07, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LP

“ *I love and miss you, mommy. Reading all of these Hapeville HS students comments makes my heart happy and sad. I wish you could read them. As a kid I remember how you spent so many nights at the dining room table making out tests on mimeograph paper, long before copy machines. I remember many late nights grading tests and history term papers. One saving grace was when a student teacher from West GA came to be guided by you and later became my daughters K5 teacher. I admit I was jealous until now. Now I am glad you touched so many lives. I wish I could thank these former students for their kind remembrances. Again, I love and miss you, mommy.*

Lyn Pridmore - February 06, 2016 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ Thank you for sharing your mom with us in Hapeville for so many years. She was a great caring teacher. My love of country Im sure stems from those days under her teachings! God comfort you in your loss. HHS Class of 77

Sharon Bryden - February 06, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DP

“ I am so sorry for your loss. I have thought fondly of Mrs. Wilson over the years. She was my favorite and most memorable teacher at Hapeville High School. I graduated in 1970. She was the teacher who inspired me to go on to college. She had an amazing gift of connecting with and inspiring her students while holding them to her high standards. The world needs more teachers like her. I am so glad to know that she lived a long and happy life and has now gone to claim her heavenly reward. May God give her family peace and comfort over the coming days. Thank you for sharing her with all her students.

Diane Ingram Pickering - February 06, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ She was one of my favorite Teachers!
Prayers for her and her family!

Lance Ferguson - February 06, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ Thoughts are bring transferred from my family today Rosa and Jim were a huge part of my parents lives as we grew up; we were all at Colonial Hills Methodist Church. They spent many hours at my childhood home. Love to Lyn, Debra and families.

Claudia Bannister Barnes - February 06, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DP

“ *Mrs. Wilson was one of my favorite teachers at Hapeville High School. She challenged you and expected nothing but your best. Sorry for your families loss of such a wonderful woman.*

Donna Powell - February 06, 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*

K.L. Banks - February 06, 2016 at 12:00 AM

ME

“Mrs. Wilson was one of the best teachers at Hapeville High School, and most likely in all of Fulton County. She was ahead of her time...she had a deeper understanding about kids. I realize this now more than I did back then. I am a teacher now as well, and my field is special education. Mrs. Wilson was able to recognize students with certain learning disabilities way before the special education laws came along. A friend of mine told me, when he was in her US History class, he did great in her class during discussions, etc., but would fail all of her weekly tests. After a few weeks, she had him stay after class one day and talked to him about it-she said, "I know you know the answers." She proceeded to verbally ask him the questions and he made a 100%! From that point on she always gave him his test verbally. He had a learning disability and she recognized it....thats how great she was. She was tough, she taught us very well, she made us behave and she loved us! Kids, Grandkids and Great Grandkids be proud of the Legacy Rosa Wilson has given you.
HHS Class of 1979

Mary Ann Eads - February 06, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CG

“Rosa Wilson taught me American History in 11th Grade at Hapeville High School during the 1973-74 school year. I loved her and she taught me the true value and responsibilities of American citizenship. I was blessed to have had her in my life and I know she is on a mission in Heaven to coordinate the current presidential election. I am so happy to have shared the planet with such a gifted and caring teacher.

Cynthia Glozier - February 05, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DM

“Mrs. Wilson was one of my favorite teachers at Hapeville High School knowledgeable, fair, tough, caring, and professional. Teaching was her calling. She inspired her students to do their very best. God bless you, Mrs. Wilson. You made a difference.

Deborah Melton Martin - February 05, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DM

“Three vivid memories of Mrs. Wilson as her student in 1971: 1. Case studies - Teaching her 11th grade history students the methodology to structure the analytical research and writing of a historical topic now seems an ambition goal for any high school teacher, but not for Mrs. W. I've long since forgotten my subject matter, but it's etched in my brain the weeks of preparation to make my case study "Wilson worthy." I don't think I spent as much time on a research project in college as I did that case study. 2. Monday morning current events: Every Sunday evening was a frantic, last-minute task to comb through the AJC to find an article whose facts I would need to regurgitate if I was one of the "lucky" few Mrs. Wilson called upon to stand before the class and explain a local, national or world happening. Woe to the student who selected a "fluff" piece as a current event; even worse if Mrs. Wilson asked a question about the event that the student didn't know the answer. 3. Mrs. Wilson vs. Disrespect - I think we all know who won that day. A student (and believe it or not, it wasn't me) was promptly sent to the principal's office for refusing to answer "Yes mam" to Mrs. Wilson. It's that respect for authority, and subsequent immediate consequences, that is painfully lacking in our education systems now. Thank you, Mrs. W, for all the life lessons I still carry with me.

Debbie St. John Murphy - February 05, 2016 at 12:00 AM

TW

“ I REMEMBER MS WILSON WELL FROM HHS. SHE WAS A GREAT TEACHER - STRICT BUT CARING. I KNEW SHE WAS HAVING MEDICAL ISSUES. PRAYERS TO THE FAMILY. TERESA JOINER, CLASS OF 1965.

teresa joiner wood - February 05, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ Mrs. Wilson was a tough, but fair & caring teacher who touched the lives of all her students in HHS Class of 1974 & beyond. Many fond memories of her. My your memories of her bring you peace & comfort at this difficult time.

Janis Parkinson Snipes - February 05, 2016 at 12:00 AM

BW

“ Mrs. Wilson was my favorite teacher at Hapeville High School. Someone posted her passing on Facebook. So sad to hear this. I will never forget her.

Brenda wallace - February 05, 2016 at 12:00 AM

IG

“ Dear Lyn: Please know how sorry I am that Mother is gone. Ive only known her through what youve told me about her, but I do know that yhu have been a very loving and devoted daughter to her. May she rest in peace in the arms of our Lord.

Isabelle Gentile - February 05, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CP

“ I am so sorry for your loss. I know the past several years have been hard for Ms. Rosa. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you.

Charlene Brock Pope - February 04, 2016 at 12:00 AM