



Mrs. Carolyn Skelton Cochran

January 21, 1923 - December 24, 2022

Carolyn Skelton Cochran, age 99, born in Seneca in January 1923, passed away peacefully in her sleep on Christmas Eve.

She lived her entire life in Seneca; graduating from Seneca High School, attending Furman University during the war years, and marrying William Ray Cochran after he returned from the South Pacific. She began teaching elementary school after graduation and eventually became Principal of Southside Elementary School in Seneca. She held the position until her retirement in the 1980's. Additionally, she was a longtime member of Seneca Baptist Church and was an avid painter and artist that thoroughly enjoyed watching wildlife in nature.

Mrs. Cochran is survived by her loyal niece and caretaker: Deborah Senn Darby, who will have stars in her crown for her help with Carolyn over the past several years; her youngest sister: Joyce S. Wimberly; and several nieces and nephews.

Mrs. Cochran was preceded in death by her parents: P.C. and Conyous Skelton; husband: W. R. Cochran; sister: Sue Skelton Senn; brothers-in-law: James D. Senn and J.J. Wimberly, III; and niece: Susan Senn Davis.

A graveside service will be held 11:00 AM, Saturday, January 21, 2023, at

Oconee Memorial Park.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to: Prisma Health Hospice of the Foothills, Cottingham Hospice House, Attn: Foundation Office, 298 Memorial Dr., Seneca, SC 29672.

The family is at their respective homes.

Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Carolyn Skelton Cochran*

January 28, 2023 at 01:03 PM



“ *Betty Knight lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Cochran*



Betty Knight - January 18, 2023 at 03:48 PM



“ *Thoughts and prayers to Deb Darby and family! I know your Aunt Carolyn appreciated your time and dedication to taking care of her!*



Ruthann & Brent Evans - January 08, 2023 at 09:08 AM



“ *Rod Richardson lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Cochran*



Rod Richardson - January 04, 2023 at 11:31 PM

RR

“ I remember Mrs. Cochran from my years at Southside. My condolences to her family.

Rod Richardson - January 04, 2023 at 11:30 PM

DU

“ Mrs. Cochran was my principal at Southside. She was an excellent one and I was very fond of her. I loved seeing her many years later at Mary Ann Nuttall's birthday party. Her family is in my prayers and thoughts.

Caroline Jones DuRant

durantcj@hotmail.com - December 29, 2022 at 11:50 AM

AG

“ My condolences to the Cochran Family. My name is Alexis Robinson Grier, daughter of the late Furman L. Robinson. I am sad to hear of Mrs. Cochrans passing. She was my principle at Southside Elementary. She was a wonderful principal, not to mention a wonderful female principal. She was stern when she had to be, especially with her, grandson..if I'm not mistaken, Beau Cochran..lol. Family or not, she did her job, and did it well. You will truly be missed. Rest in peace Mrs. Cochran.



Alexis Robinson Grier - December 29, 2022 at 07:18 AM

GC

“ GLINDA COCHRAN lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Cochran



GLINDA COCHRAN - December 28, 2022 at 12:26 PM

BR

“ Mrs Cochran was my principal in elementary school. Southside was in good hands as she ran a tight ship. Those were the days when educators were respected and trusted. She was also a family friend. I love seeing this photo of her. This is the way I remember her. Such fond memories!
Betty Adams Roe

Betty Roe - December 28, 2022 at 09:47 AM

BM

“ Brenda McMahan lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Cochran



Brenda McMahan - December 28, 2022 at 09:14 AM

JB

“ Jimmy Barker lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Cochran



Jimmy Barker - December 28, 2022 at 01:19 AM

KA

“ kathy addis lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Cochran



kathy addis - December 27, 2022 at 10:16 PM

EB

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you over the loss of Carolyn. She was a pleasure to work with as School Psychologist assigned to her school. She was always cooperative and caring in providing the best possible for her students. It was my pleasure to know you would have her support in doing the best for all. May all of you rest in peace after taking care of her

Elaine Barnett - December 27, 2022 at 05:56 PM

WE

“ I served on the Oconee County School-board and it was always an honor to be involved with anything that Mrs. Cochran was in charge of because you could be assured that it was done by the book and with her impeccable ability as an educator it was for the good of her students. We could use more Carolyn Cochran's in our classrooms now !!
Bill Evatt

William Evatt - December 27, 2022 at 10:09 AM

CM

“ I am sending prayers to the family I knew Carolyn many years ago when she used to take the greenville news newspaper. I was her carrier than she will be greatly missed.



coral melton - December 27, 2022 at 08:54 AM

JR

“ Mrs. Cochran was my principal in elementary school and I remember her just as in this picture. I remember her as a good and kind person who cared about her students. I have only fond memories of this wonderful lady. My thoughts and prayers to her family.



Jan Rice - December 26, 2022 at 10:01 PM

JS

“ my fourth grade teacher

jimmy shirley - December 26, 2022 at 08:43 PM

CP

“ Mrs. Cochran was my Principal at Southside Elementary and I remember her kind smile and the air of respect she exuded. Many, many years down the road she was a patient at a local Physician's office I worked at. She was always so kind. I'm 57 years old now and smile at the memories of her.

Candi Phillips - December 26, 2022 at 08:33 PM

LF

“ My mother, Josie Leary Cox, roomed with Carolyn at Furman, where they shared many adventures and memories. They remained steadfast friends until the death of my mother October, 2015. Ray, Carolyn, my dad Bob Cox, and mother double dated in college, took trips together, and after Ray's death, Carolyn and Mother spent many weekends visiting one another. I know they are both rejoicing in Heaven together today! Love and prayers I send to the family. She was one of a kind! Linwood Cox Floyd (Clinton, SC)

Linwood Cox Floyd - December 26, 2022 at 04:22 PM

HA

“ *Harold Alexander lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Cochran*



Harold Alexander - December 26, 2022 at 04:10 PM

PW

“ *Jim I'm so sorry for your loss. Praying for you and your family*

Peggy Wood - December 26, 2022 at 01:29 PM

JE

“ *RIP, Mrs. Cochran. Love from former at South Side Elementary Seneca, South Carolina. Joseph W.Evans, Jr.*

Joey Evans - December 26, 2022 at 12:33 PM