



Mrs. Ellen Duane Stumpf

May 17, 1931 - January 1, 2016

Ellen Duane Stumpf, age 84 of Keowee Key passed away on Friday, January 1, 2016 at Cottingham Hospice House. Mrs. Stumpf was retired from the Hillsborough Township School System in NJ as Resource Teacher and Special Education teacher for 22 years. Prior to her marriage to her true love, George W. Stumpf, she was a Laboratory Technician for six years at the Mass. General Hospital in Boston, MA. Mrs. Stumpf was a graduate of Colby-Sawyer College with a B.S. in Science and received her Masters Degree in Special Education from College of NJ.

After retirement, she remained active as a substitute teacher in Oconee County for 23 years. She also helped build a Butterfly Garden at Keowee Elementary School. Accolades include Year of the Child by Past Governor Hodges, Service to Mankind Award by Clemson Sertoma Club, and the Jefferson Award for Outstanding Public Service in 2002. She also founded Blue Ridge Junior Golf Program for students in Oconee County. She initiated a Learn to Swim and Water Safety Program for third grade students at Keowee Elementary School. She was also instrumental in establishing the Tri-County Chapter of the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation in NJ and served as President for six years. She was a member of DAR Society, and the KKLGA 9 Hole League. The number of people that she has impacted and helped in Oconee County and elsewhere is far too many to count.

Surviving are her husband George of 60 years, Ellen, her daughter, of Seneca, and her four children, Peter, Patrick, Ethan and Tessa. Also her son, Christopher Stumpf, of Warrenton, VA, his wife Amber Stumpf, and their four children Brandon, Zachary, Austin, and Lily. She was pre-deceased by her son, Peter.

A Memorial Mass will be held at 1:00 P. M. on Wednesday, January 6, 2016, at St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church.

The family will receive friends from 6:00 – 8:00 P. M. on Monday, January 4, 2016 at the Davenport Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation, 37 Villa Road, Box 111, Greenville, SC 29615.

The family will be at their respective homes.

Cemetery Details

Private

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 4. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Davenport Funeral Home
311 S Highway 11
West Union, SC 29696
(864) 638-3611
davenportfhome@gmail.com
<https://www.davenportfuneralhome.com>

Memorial Mass

JAN 6. 1:00 PM (ET)

St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church
170 Bountyland
Seneca, SC 29672
<http://afpparish.org?>

Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Ellen Duane Stumpf*

January 28, 2023 at 01:03 PM



“ *Mrs Stumpf was always delightful to be around. I never saw her without a smile and a cheerful disposition. God bless her family and friends and may He give you comfort. Marty*

Marty - January 15, 2016 at 12:19 AM



“ *Ellen so sorry to hear your mother passed, Robert and I will be praying for you and your family*

Marsha Lee - January 09, 2016 at 03:10 PM



“ *Marsha Lee lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ellen Duane Stumpf*



Marsha Lee - January 09, 2016 at 03:08 PM



“ *Chris, Amber, and family,
So sorry to hear of your mother's passing Chris. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. God bless.
Love,
Aunt Brenda & Uncle Dan*

Brenda Beer - January 07, 2016 at 12:27 PM



“ We will miss you, Miss Ellen, the Blue Ridge Jr Golf Girls! From
“A Parable of Immortality”
by Henry Van Dyke

“I am standing upon the seashore. A ship at my side spreads her white sails to the morning breeze and starts for the blue ocean. She is an object of beauty and strength, and I stand and watch until at last she hangs like a speck of white cloud just where the sea and sky come down to mingle with each other. Then someone at my side says, ‘There she goes!’”

“Gone where? Gone from my sight . . . that is all. She is just as large in mast and hull and spar as she was when she left my side and just as able to bear her load of living freight to the place of destination. Her diminished size is in me, not in her. And just at the moment when someone at my side says, ‘There she goes!’ there are other eyes watching her coming and other voices ready to take up the glad shout, ‘Here she comes!’”

Ann Warmuth - January 07, 2016 at 11:42 AM

JM

“ Jamey&Deborah Metz lit a candle in memory
of Mrs. Ellen Duane Stumpf



Jamey&Deborah Metz - January 07, 2016 at 05:49 AM

JO

“ Remember her from Keowee Elementary School. She was such a
sweet lady in so many ways. Prayers for her family. Love, Joan
Bentley

Joan - January 06, 2016 at 10:05 PM

SH

“ Susan Hollifield lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ellen Duane Stumpf



Susan Hollifield - January 06, 2016 at 07:43 AM

JP

“ I met Ellen while working at Keowee Elementary in the 90's. She was one of the most special people I have ever known. Her constant smile could light up a room. Her energy seemed boundless. Her desire to make a difference in the world around her was a constant. She was a Barnabas-like encourager and always saw good in people. What a lady! It was a joy to know her, to be kindly touched by her spirit. You did good, Ellen. You've left a long trail of kindnesses. You have been a wonderful role model for us, and those of us who loved you will always be grateful for that.

Judy Powell - January 05, 2016 at 09:09 PM

NM

“ So grateful to have a lifetime full of wonderful memories of Mrs. Stumpf. Very special thanks to the Stumpf family for hosting the strawberry hill "Cookie Swap" each year during the holidays. Love, Nestor

Nestor Matthews - January 05, 2016 at 06:23 PM

 Ginger
Moran

“ Dear George - I am so glad I've had the opportunity to get to know you and Ellen and so sad that she is gone from our lives. She always radiated energy and a zest for living - those angels won't know what hit them when she starts organizing their swimming and golf lessons! My deepest sympathy to you and your family on the loss of such a special person -- Ginger Moran, Rockaway, NJ

Ginger Moran - January 05, 2016 at 04:38 PM

DS

“ Dave & Donna Stephens lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ellen Duane Stumpf



Dave & Donna Stephens - January 05, 2016 at 04:22 PM

RB

“ Ellen, now you are home. Thank you for all you have done.
Joe and Regina Berkemeier



regina Berkemeier - January 05, 2016 at 02:52 PM

DK

“ *Ellen will be greatly missed by all of us in our community. Ellen always had a big smile and so much enthusiasm no matter what she was doing. I've golfed with Ellen many times and most remember the time we were golfing and Tessa was taking her driving test. Ellen was monitoring her phone to get the results of Tessa's test and was jumping for joy when she learned Tessa passed. Ellen loved life, her family, her students and everyone that had the privilege to know her admired her zeal and love for everyone she called friend.*

At our 9 Hole Christmas party Dec. 10, 2015, Ellen was in pain, but came to the party to see us and share a glass of wine and snacks. She was off to the hospital afterwards but just wanted to share a little Christmas Cheer with us all. This picture was taken at the party - Ellen was all dressed with Christmas Spirit. May her memory be eternal as she has a special place in our hearts.



Diana Kimmel - January 05, 2016 at 01:18 PM

JM

“ Dear Mrs Ellen.

I can't understand why God had to take such a kindhearted woman like you. You were like the Grandmother I have never had. We spent so much time together and bonded so close. Now that you are gone, all I have left are the memories that we made. No matter if it was on the golf course, or just at Tamassee DAR School, we were always there for each other. I am going to truly miss you. I love you. Rest in Peace.

*Love Always,
Jason Mahaffey*

Jason Mahaffey - January 05, 2016 at 07:35 AM

PH

“ *I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this sad time.*
Patricia Holcombe



Patricia Holcombe - January 04, 2016 at 07:16 PM

JC

“ *Ellen and family, Sending love and prayers to you at this very sad time. Your Mom was always such a friendly and pleasant lady, always a smile and something kind to say.*
Judi Care



Judi Care/Rauenzahn - January 04, 2016 at 01:20 AM

JM

“ Dear George, Children & Grandchildren,

Ellen was a true disciple of Christ. She touched and enriched the lives of everyone she was in contact with. Whether she was in the classroom, on the golf course or in the pool, she gave unconditionally.

Ellen was the pillar of her community. Involved in foundations and good causes.

As a neighbor she was always there. The perfect host for her yearly cookie swap on Surrey Dr., NJ. A good time was had by all her neighbors and friends. No matter what her trials were in life she persevered with a smile. Just recently her Christmas Card, picture and note depicted she would challenge the cancer again.

Ellen you served mankind well. Your task her on earth fulfilled. Rest in peace dear friend.

George, children and grandchildren you had a gem among you. Carry on her legacy.

God love and comfort all of you in this great loss.

*Love,
Joe & Clelia Marciniak
7 Rosemont Dr.
Myerstown, PA 17067*

Joe & Clelia Marciniak - January 03, 2016 at 05:35 PM

BM

Such a beautiful tribute! Praying for all of you during your time of loss.

Bethany Mazalewski - January 04, 2016 at 08:57 PM

BA

“ *Bret And Debbie Albert lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ellen Duane Stumpf*



Bret and Debbie Albert - January 03, 2016 at 05:12 PM

FA

“ *Dear George, Ellen, Chris and family,
We are sorry for your loss, but glad she's not in discomfort anymore.
We have many great memories of growing up and Ellen's visits to
South Florida. I'm attaching a throwback photo. Love, Faith (also on
behalf of Molly and Connie)*



Faith - January 03, 2016 at 03:32 PM

LP

“ *Linda Baldwin, Baldwin Painting lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ellen Duane Stumpf*



Linda Baldwin, Baldwin Painting - January 03, 2016 at 03:28 PM