

## Donald Wythe Nixon

May 27, 1954 - February 8, 2016

Donald Wythe Nixon, well known for his exceptional creativity and advocacy for the arts, took the last breath of his 61 years on February 8th, 2016. Don dedicated his life, love for music, and multiple talents to helping people express their faith and sentiments through the arts. Most recently, Don distinguished himself as an innovator, educator and community leader through his work as the Executive Director at the Centre for Performing and Visual Arts of the Coweta County School System in Newnan, Georgia.

Don is survived by his wife Catherine Lowe Nixon of Newnan, Georgia; daughter Jordan Burgess Nixon of Washington, D.C.; mother Helen Jordan Nixon of Abingdon, Virginia; mother-in-law Wanda Burgess Lowe of Abingdon, Virginia; brother James Arch Nixon and wife Bobbie O'Dell Nixon of Abingdon, Virginia; brother-in-law Timothy Burgess Lowe and wife Jane Jewell Lowe of Fort Myers, Florida; brother-in-law Stephen Harrison Lowe and wife Mary Lynne Hughes Lowe of Abingdon, Virginia; and nieces and nephews April, Crystal, Hollie, Jamie, Adam, Andrew, and T.J.

Don graduated from Abingdon High School in 1972. He then earned two associate degrees from Virginia Highlands in Business Administration and Education. He attended Carson Newman University in Jefferson City, Tennessee and graduated in 1978 with a Bachelor of Music degree. Don continued his education at The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky where he earned a Master of Church Music degree in

1980. Don was ordained as a Minister at Abingdon Baptist Church in August 1981 where he was a founding member and director of the youth choir Shalom Singers.

Across the years, Don, along with Cathe, his high school sweetheart whom he married August 16, 1980, served numerous congregations - Minister of Music at Melrose Baptist Church in Roanoke, Virginia; Minister of Music at Parkview Baptist Church in Monroe, Louisiana; Minister of the Arts at Northminster Church in Monroe, Louisiana, a congregation that he helped to found; and Minister of the Arts at Willow Meadows Baptist Church in Houston, Texas. After moving to Georgia, Don was an active and dedicated member and Deacon of Central Baptist Church in Newnan.

The imprint of Don Nixon's talents will be sorely missed. Not only was he a superb conductor of choral music, he was a skilled artist in floral arrangements, an expert in design and decorations, an imaginative program planner, and an influential lecturer and writer in his fields of expertise. Along with a friend, Don published a three volume set of books on worship and the arts.

The public honored Don with several much-deserved awards including recognition from the Boys Club of America in New York City, the Distinguished Floral Designer Award from Town and Country Magazine, the Christopher Award from Strauss Theatre, the Distinguished Honor for Civic and Community Contributions from the Garden Clubs of America, and the National Healthcare Recognition from the Native American Museum in Washington, D.C., along with numerous other civic, community and national recognitions and achievements throughout his life.

Don's passion for artistic expression and the development of his interests were exceeded only by his love, pride and support for his daughter, Jordan

Burgess Nixon. Don bequeathed to Jordan unforgettable memories of an impassioned, generous and supportive father who encouraged his cherished daughter to nurture her talents and to pursue every one of her dreams. Don embodied the nature of unconditional love.

All who knew Don Nixon felt blessed by his presence, empowered by his encouragement, delighted by the arts to which he introduced them, and inspired by his faith and spirit. A worship service to honor Don's life will be held on Sunday, February 21st at 5 o'clock in the evening at Central Baptist Church in Newnan, Georgia. All are welcome to attend and celebrate Don's life. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made in his memory to the Donald W. Nixon Fund in care of the Patrons of the Centre at P.O. Box 1422, Newnan, Georgia, 30264. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.mckoon.com](http://www.mckoon.com). McKoon Funeral Home 770-253-4580.

# Cemetery Details

## McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory

38 Jackson Street  
Newnan, GA 30263  
(770) 253-4580  
care@mckoon.com  
<http://www.mckoon.com>

# Previous Events

## Service

FEB 21. 5:00 PM (ET)

Central Baptist Church  
14 West Broad St.  
Newnan, GA 30264

# Tribute Wall

AM

“ *My heart is so sad to see that we have lost Don. He gave me and my family an opportunity to move from Louisiana to Georgia, allowing me to begin the string programs at East Coweta Middle School, Madras Middle School, and Smokey Road Middle School. Newnan has never left our hearts, and my family will always appreciate the dedication that Don had to giving the community music, especially with our three schools combining to perform at the then newly built TPAC. May the Lord bless your loved ones.*

*Amy McKinney  
Nashville, TN*

---

**Amy McKinney** - May 27, 2017 at 01:29 AM

 Rachel  
Lene

“ *It was always a pleasure to see Don and his lovely wife. They always had a smile on their faces no matter what. He will be missed, a beautiful soul. please accept my deepest condolences and sympathy. May his soul rest in peace where there 'll be no more pain or suffering.*

*Rachel Lene*

---

**Rachel Lene** - February 29, 2016 at 03:55 PM

SM

“ *Cathe and Jordan,*

*What a gift you all have given us by sharing your lives with us. Don's dream of a Centre for the Performing and Visual Arts took us far beyond what I dreamed could happen in such a short time. My heart aches for your loss!*

*Please be assured of many prayers and thoughts for you.*

*Susan and Harry Mullins*

---

**susan whitlock mullins** - February 22, 2016 at 02:55 PM

CM

“ *Please accept my deepest condolences and greatest sympathy for the entire family and friends of Mr. Don Nixon. Mr. Nixon welcomed Gabriel's House, Inc.'s annual performance over the past several years. He has always been so kind and encouraging to me and my ministry. I will be forever grateful! -Rev. Conitras M. Houston Moore*

---

**Conitras Houston Moore** - February 21, 2016 at 09:07 PM

JR

“ We met the first year the Centre was opened when ECHS was to be the first high school performing their Spring Musical there and I was a parent helping with costumes. The Centre then hosted many years of the STAR program where all 3 high schools performed a summer show or 2 together. It provided a great opportunity for all 3 high schools to form life long friendships. He even jumped in as a character in Little Women one year and we all saw another side of Don Nixon. As a parent of one of those students I appreciated his interest in the students then and for years after whenever I saw him at any shows I attended at the Centre. For that and all you did for our county, THANK YOU! You will be missed!

*Jane Rohan*

---

**Jane Rohan** - February 21, 2016 at 07:25 PM

EB

“ Emmett & Mary Margaret Bailey lit a candle in memory of Donald Wythe Nixon



---

**Emmett & Mary Margaret Bailey** - February 21, 2016 at 04:22 PM

JD

“ Jack and Deborah Davis purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of Donald Wythe Nixon.



---

**Jack and Deborah Davis** - February 19, 2016 at 01:58 PM

LR

“ *To the Nixon Family,*

*May the peace and love of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be with you during this time. Don was a special person to all who knew him and encountered him both professionally and personally. He will be missed by all. His memory will live forever.  
God Bless You!!*

*Larry and Janet Robertson*

---

**Larry Robertson** - February 19, 2016 at 08:27 AM

PJ

“ *Don was one of the first persons we met when moving to Georgia 14 years ago. We shared the belief that art is an enrichment that all persons should share. I remember well that first conversation in his office at the Centre. We will be forever grateful that his desire to share the arts with all has now become an expectation in this community and one that we are certain will continue because of his exceptional devotion to that end. We will miss his excitement, his energy, his smile, his genuine love of the arts and the people of Newnan. We send our thoughts and prayers to his family.*

*Peter and Annette Janssen*

---

**Peter Janssen** - February 19, 2016 at 07:04 AM

DB

“ *Dwight A Butner purchased the California Health y for the family of Donald Wythe Nixon.*



---

**Dwight A Butner** - February 17, 2016 at 03:24 PM

CB

“ *Cathe... I am so sorry. I am grateful that we got to be friends in Monroe. I have thought of our friendship over the years. When I think of you both, I see smiles. I can still feel the happy energy Don always had. I remember the laughter we shared. I am so glad our paths crossed in Monroe. I remember the time when we were going on a trip and you and Don came by before we left and placed a basket of goodies for us to have on the road in our car. It was such a sweet surprise to open the door and see that basket filled with lots of goodies. Brent and Casey were so happy with what you had put in the basket. I could fill this page with those type of memories. Know you and your daughter, Jordan, are in my thoughts and prayers. Candy Allen Butner*

---

**Candy Allen Butner** - February 17, 2016 at 02:14 PM

TY

“ *To the Nixion Family, May God keep you all in his loving arms. With Love Nora L. Johnson & Family.*

---

**To the Nixion Family, May God keep you** - February 16, 2016 at 12:37 PM

JC

“ Don was such a talented man who shared his life with so many, trying to help us all appreciate the beauty God has given us in this world. He was a very generous man who used his many talents to make worship more meaningful. He never seemed to run out of creative ideas to help us grow closer to the Lord while he and Cathe were on staff at WMBC in Houston. They both came up with so many different ways to look at things while drawing our attention to ways we might learn about and serve the Lord. His life seemed to be about showing kindness, sharing the arts, and genuinely caring for all those he came in contact with. His love of life and enthusiasm was evident to all who knew him. He loved the Lord and will be missed by the many he ministered to while on this earth. My heart goes out to Cathe, Jordan and all the Lowes and Nixons. I feel so blessed to have known him and his family and will miss him so much.

---

**Judy Crowe** - February 12, 2016 at 06:34 PM

GM

“ We have such fond memories of your family and the time you spent at Willow Meadows Baptist Church Don's life was far too short. But his was a life well lived. His generosity and creativity touched so many lives! His vivacious spirit will be remembered and live on in the impact he made on the lives of others - so many beautiful memories. Our prayers are you with, Cathe and Jordan.

*Gary & Jennifer Miller*

---

**Gary & Jennifer Miller** - February 12, 2016 at 04:51 PM



“ Our family was so blessed by Don in so many ways. I still recall visiting his home in Monroe as a part of the music search committee. We benefited from his years of service at Willow Meadows Baptist in Houston, and by his floral gifts for both our children's weddings.

We were also privileged to visit him in Newnan, enjoying the hospitality of Don and Cathe, as well as seeing first hand the work at the Center, and marveling at what he was able to accomplish in a short time.

Cathe and Jordan, we want to walk with you through this valley as we have walked with you through the better times. Our love goes out to you

---

**Art Sherwood** - February 12, 2016 at 03:23 PM

AB

“ Don always showed kindness and class in everything he did. He treated every person as if they were the most important person in the room. I've never known anyone quite like Don and he will always hold a very special place in my heart. Amy Byars

---

**Amy Byars** - February 12, 2016 at 08:00 AM

GS

“ I have heard that grief is a gift--you have to have lost a treasure to grieve. We have lost a treasure this week, and the grief is real. Don added so much beauty wherever he was in the world, he lived so fully, he gave so generously, and now we must carry on that legacy. I hope we learned from his all too short life. so much love to Cathe and Jordon with thanks for sharing this husband and father with all of us. just think of all the weddings, all the brides he blessed with his extraordinary gifts. We pray for God's loving arms to surround Cathe and Jordon to give them comfort and peace.

Gwen Sherwood

---

**gwen sherwood** - February 11, 2016 at 09:36 PM



“ *Talent flowed from him... I think he was truly the best Will I have every seen in the musical Oklahoma*

---

**D. Houston Hall** - February 11, 2016 at 09:08 PM



“ *We were so sad to learn of Don's passing. Time with Don always meant fun and laughter. We will never forget his amazing & moving use of music, theatre, dance, and visuals in worship at Southwest Baptist youth & children's camps. This world has lost a rare gift, but we trust that Don's glory to God has been perfected in the next. We'll be holding you close in our thoughts & prayers, Cathy. --Kyle & Jane Webb Childress*

---

**Jane Webb Childress** - February 11, 2016 at 08:42 PM



“ *Cathe,*

*My heart feels broken for you and Jordan. I'm so very grateful that Don's path crossed my path---from the neighborhood, to Shalom Singers, to singing at our wedding. He has made a powerful impact wherever you guys have lived. I was thinking today about "Celebrate Life" and the scene of the 40 days and nights in the wilderness while he portrayed the devil. Oh how I loved that, with him pulling that cape around him and just hissing like the devil would speak to us. One talented man there!! I will continue to pray for strength, peace, and comfort for all of you. Much love to you.  
Paige Thompson*

---

**Paige Thompson** - February 11, 2016 at 08:18 PM

GS

“ Dear Cathy, Jordan and Family, we are so sorry to hear of Donnie's passing. Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you in your time of sorrow.

*Gene and Nancy Smith*

---

**Gene & Nancy Smith** - February 11, 2016 at 05:59 PM

GA

“ Dear Cathy and Jordan, I do not have words to express my sorrow in learning of Don's passing. I will be praying for you, Aunt Helen, Jim and family as you go through this. We know and trust that only our Lord can get us through. Growing up with Don was a great adventure. We were as brothers more than cousins. God blessed him with so much talent. We never knew what he was going to do from day to day, it was kind of scary. I loved him and will miss him.

*Cousin Gary Robbins*

---

**Gary** - February 11, 2016 at 05:09 PM

RA

“ Don sang at my wedding 46 years ago, he and his family were dear friends of ours. I am so sorry to hear of his passing. Happy to know he is with his Lord and Savior. I know all your hearts are broken but rest in the assurance that we will see him again.

*Remembering you with fond memories, as I always called, Donny.*

*Rita Anderson*

---

**Rita Anderson** - February 11, 2016 at 04:44 PM

TG

“ A life well lived with so much understanding and creativity. What great memories for us, but painful now to recall. I pray for our hurting hearts over not having Don to smile back at us. I pray for Cathe and Jordan to have a calmness that can only come from God during this intense feeling of loss. He was wonderful and unique. We were blessed by him in ways still yet to be seen. God bless his family. Tonya Gray

-----  
**Tonya Gray** - February 11, 2016 at 03:52 PM

JG

“ Look out Heaven! I'm sure Donnie has done taken over the "Hallelujah Chorus Choir! He was such a hoot to be around, I loved him! Cherish those precious memories forever in your heart....he'll always be there! joy garrett



-----  
**joy garrett** - February 11, 2016 at 03:30 PM

DT

“ I have many fond memories of your and Cathy's time with us at Melrose. The Beginnings Ensemble and the handbells as well the children's programs and your decorating talent - there are so many memories. We often repeat your humorous stories such as the "Pappy" story. Cathy, please accept my sincere condolences. Donna Zollman Tobey.

-----  
**Donna Zollman Tobey** - February 11, 2016 at 12:27 PM

RJ

“ Shalom my friend, Shalom my friend, Shalom, Shalom. I'll see you again, I'll see you again, Shalom, Shalom.

*Reda Karran*

-----  
**Reda Jones** - February 11, 2016 at 12:18 PM

MB

“ *Michael Buckner lit a candle in memory of Donald Wythe Nixon*



---

**Michael Buckner** - February 11, 2016 at 08:45 AM

MB

*You will surely be missed. We had many great times with the Shalom Singers.*

---

**Michael Buckner** - February 11, 2016 at 08:49 AM

CW

*The staff at the Newnan Carnegie Library send our sincere condolences with the sorrowful loss of beloved Don Nixon. He gave our community a beautiful legacy through his life-long pursuits with which to remember him, thankfully.*

---

**Carol Wilson** - February 11, 2016 at 10:09 AM

BL

“ *Dearest Cathy and Jordan, I do not have words to express my sorrow in learning of Don's passing. I just want to say my Love and prayers are coming your way. I will forever remember how Donnie sang at my wedding and how you have always been a loving part of my life. Please know I am always here for you. I know Donnie is now part of the Lord' s great choir. Love to you.*  
*Brenda Lowe Lee*

---

**Brenda Lee** - February 11, 2016 at 08:14 AM

PB

“ Pamela Brumfield lit a candle in memory of Donald Wythe Nixon



Pamela Brumfield - February 11, 2016 at 05:58 AM

PB

Cathe and Jordan, you are in my thoughts and prayers.

Pamela Brumfield - February 11, 2016 at 06:02 AM

LS

R.I.P. Mr. Nixon, You will be forever loved.

Latisha Stinson - February 11, 2016 at 07:20 AM

LB

“ Cathy and Jordan, you are in my thoughts and prayers. Luedell Bailey

Luedell Bailey - February 11, 2016 at 04:44 AM

Joyce Ashcraft

“ I will be forever grateful that the Lord caused our paths to cross. Don, Cathe, and Jordan were family to me while living in Houston and remained an important part of my life as we all moved from there. I have been the recipient of the Nixon gift of hospitality many times through the years. I always went away blessed and challenged to be a better version of myself. Don just had that kind of effect on all he encountered. My life is richer because of the influence of Don and Cathe and Jordan.

Praying for God's sweet presence serves as a comfort for Cathe, Jordan, and all the family during these coming days and weeks.

Joyce Ashcraft - February 10, 2016 at 09:42 PM

SB

“ I was introduced to Don over three years ago by Kathryn Kolb. She had been to the Center to judge a photography show. She told me, you have to meet this man. So my wife, Kathryn and myself were invited to attend a patron's luncheon where I met Don . He was the most gracious and thoughtful human being I have ever had the pleasure to meet. Soon after that first meeting , He asked me if I would like to do a show at the Center and I immediately said yes and thank you. In December of 2014 I had my show in the gallery space at the Center which resulted in a piece being chosen by Don for the Centers permanent collection.

*I know Don is walking with Jesus and I will forever be thankful for having the pleasure to have worked with such a loving spirit.*

*Stephen and Margaret Brownlee*

---

**Stephen Brownlee** - February 10, 2016 at 08:49 PM

JM

“ Your family is in our thoughts and prayers. Don will truly be missed.

*Jeff and Camille Morgan*

---

**Jeff and Camille Morgan** - February 10, 2016 at 08:18 PM

SF

“ Cathe, Jordan and all of the Nixon and Lowe family, My heart aches for the passing of Don. I have just so many wonderful memories of Don and the impact he had on my life. He influenced me so much to develop the drama ministry at my church in Ohio. My thoughts and prayers are with each of you! Love to all. Sandra Farmer

---

**Sandra Farmer** - February 10, 2016 at 07:26 PM

JH

“ *Cathe, Jordan, and all of the family: my heart is aching for you. I still have my "Donny Nixon button." He was an inspiration to me I will pray for your peace.*

*Jane Daniels Hilt*

---

**Jane Hilt** - February 10, 2016 at 07:01 PM

WA

“ *We miss you terribly--Laurie and Allen purchased the Bountiful Rose Basket for the family of Donald Wythe Nixon.*



---

**We miss you terribly--Laurie and Allen** - February 10, 2016 at 06:52 PM



“ *Sorry very sorry for your loss. Thoughts and prayers to you and Jordan.*

*Elaine Hardy*

---

**Elaine Hardy** - February 10, 2016 at 04:47 PM

PA

“ I cannot describe how my heart is breaking today. Candy got word to me of Don's death and I am flooded with glorious memories and lingering regrets at the same time.

*There is no lost relationship I have grieved over more than ours. Just know that I have always treasured our days together in Monroe. I hope and pray that you experience peace in these days and beyond.*

*Phillip Allen*

---

**Phillip Allen** - February 10, 2016 at 03:48 PM

FF

“ Don was a kind, generous, caring, talented, and enthusiastic soul that we were blessed to have in our lives. The time was too short but we must carry on his vision and work. My heart felt prayers go out to Cathe and Jordan. You can take comfort in God's love and be inspired by what Don did for his Church, family, friends, and community. He was a true treasure to everyone he came in contact with. With love, Frank and Melody Farmer

---

**FRANK AND MELODY FARMER** - February 10, 2016 at 02:53 PM

RM

“*First and foremost, Don Nixon was a truly good person. I witnessed countless times when Don went beyond what would normally be expected in order to help a student or teacher. He always was supportive and encouraging to me during my years at East Coweta High School. After working a very full day, he and Cathe would often take time to attend a Dinner Theatre or other production at our school. This thrilled my students, and it lifted my spirits to know he honestly cared about what went on in the theatre program. He welcomed us to the Centre for every production, and he worked tirelessly to provide us with all that we needed to be successful. Other counties in which I taught had a county level administrator known as the Fine Arts Coordinator. This would be a person to lead the teachers in all the Arts Programs of the county. I was surprised that Coweta Schools had no such administrator. Then Don came into our lives. He had a more than full-time job as Director of the Centre, but he also was our Fine Arts Coordinator in every way except title and salary. All of the Fine Arts of Coweta County Schools have been supported, encouraged, and improved by Don's involvement.*

*On a personal level, I always enjoyed the private conversations that we had together. Don's insight, creativity, and wisdom were treasures to share. Planning a performance project together or discussing problems together were good times. I will miss him as a leader, a guide, and as a friend.*

*I pray for God's support and loving comfort for Cathe and Jordan. Please call on me anytime I might be of service to you!*

*Richard E. McMichen, Ph.D.*

---

**Richard McMichen** - February 10, 2016 at 02:47 PM

SW

“ I will miss Don's sweet smile and his humor. He was truly a remarkable person, but he remained very humble. My thoughts and prayers are with his family....and he and Cathe became "family" to all of us who worked with them. May God grant you peace and comfort!

Sherry Warren

---

**Sherry Warren** - February 10, 2016 at 02:35 PM

TW

“ Mr. Nixon was such a kind and friendly man whenever he would call or visit ECMS. It's a great loss for our County and he will be missed by many. My sincere sympathy to the family.

Toni Wallace  
ECMS

---

**Toni Wallace** - February 10, 2016 at 01:45 PM

RB

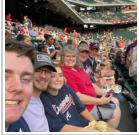
“ Many, many of us will remember Don for his sunny personality, his delight in helping people, and his extraordinary talent for "taming the lions". He was a master at making the difficult look easy. I never saw him rattled. He took the time to make all of us feel important, from adult to child, he made time for you.

I really like Don, but more importantly I have a deep respect for him and the way Christ shone through his life. His life is a testimony to his love for Christ and his fellow man.

I look forward to seeing him again.

---

**Richard Bennett** - February 10, 2016 at 01:40 PM



“ *Mr. Don was an excellent director of the Performing Arts Center of Coweta County. He left a legacy that will never be forgotten. He had always been a huge supporter of the arts program and I am grateful for that. He led a life that i am thankful for everyday.*



---

**Jeremiah Holloway** - February 10, 2016 at 12:12 PM

EL

“ *There are no words to adequately express the loss we feel. Don reached out to my husband and me so many times, going the extra mile to not only schedule an art showing for my husband's uncle, Carl Tait, but allowing us to display Carl's paintings at the Centre after his death. Rarely do we see such exemplary character as was Don's. Our heartfelt sympathy to his family.*

*Elaine and Steve Luiz*

---

**Elaine Luiz** - February 10, 2016 at 12:06 PM



“ *The beautiful crown jewel of Coweta County Schools that is the Centre for Performing Arts is a wonderful legacy and gift from Don. My personal memories come from his enthusiastic support and guidance for the Junior Miss, now Distinguished Young Woman, Scholarship Program. Not only was it a marvelous experience locally, but when the State Organization selected Newnan they were treated to his professional and top quality production know-how. Running into Don around town, loading up pine straw in the spring for example, was a warm and friendly encounter.*

*My deep sympathy to the family,  
Cynthia Bennett*

---

**Cynthia Bennett** - February 10, 2016 at 11:43 AM

NS

“ *Norma Shoemaker lit a candle in memory of Donald Wythe Nixon*



---

**Norma Shoemaker** - February 10, 2016 at 11:17 AM

JS

“ *I believe that Don was instrumental in recommending me for employment as a music educator here in Coweta County when I moved here from Miami, Florida 10 years ago. He always supported me and my efforts to provide quality arts education to our students. His huge contributions to arts education in Coweta County and the State of Georgia is unparalleled. I will surely miss Don and all of the wonderful things he's done for us elementary music teachers and arts teachers. May God bless him and your family through this very trying time. Please let me know if there is anything I can do to comfort you all during this difficult time.*

*John Shapley  
(770) 361-9405*

---

**John Shapley** - February 10, 2016 at 10:39 AM

PG

“ *Cathe, We are so sadden to hear about Don, our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Patti and Sherry, Coweta County Environmental Health*

---

**Patti Gammans** - February 10, 2016 at 09:34 AM

MB

“ There are so many memories about Don because he was so multi faceted. I want to share a memory of the Newnan High lacrosse days when JORDON played. Don had a t-shirt air gun and became a popular man with the kids who wanted to shoot t-shirts into the stands. Don was so joyous to let them all take turns. The joy they had was only second to Don's. Don brought JOY & excellence to everything he touched & he will surely be missed by this community. Much love, Marla Brandenburg.

---

**Marla Brandenburg** - February 10, 2016 at 09:15 AM

TO

“ Cathe, I am so sorry. I wish I could be there to give you a big hug right now!!! I have so many wonderful memories. Don's laughter and the way he made me laugh right out loud!!! What a great wedding he planned and directed for Rick and I! I will always remember the hours you and Don spent putting your wedding together and how beautiful it turned out to be! I know you have lost your best friend and companion in this life but I know he's rejoicing with the angels in all the host of heaven. He has probably already put together a few concerts to his liking to perform before our Savior and King! I love you, dear friend.

*Teresa Ornduff*

---

**Teresa Ornduff** - February 10, 2016 at 08:39 AM

GB

“ Cathe and Jordan.  
I am so sorry and without words of what to say. I bet Don has already started redecorating and doing huge flower arrangements and telling some of his stories that he shared with us. Don was a great friend. We will all miss him dearly. Praying for Peace and Comfort for the days ahead. Love you, Gwenda

---

**Gwenda Boone** - February 10, 2016 at 08:27 AM

GB

“ *Gwenda Boone lit a candle in memory of Donald Wythe Nixon*



**Gwenda Boone** - February 10, 2016 at 08:20 AM

 Phil Kline

“ *So sorry for your loss. He touched so many lives and was always so passionate about any project he took on. He was one of Coweta's finest. May God bless you and comfort you during this time.*

**Phil Kline** - February 10, 2016 at 08:17 AM

LM

“ *Don will be missed by all who knew him. He was a wonderful person and a good friend to this community. My condolences go to the family left behind.*  
*Linda Mitchell*

**Linda Mitchell** - February 10, 2016 at 08:16 AM

JE

“ *Jennifer Ennis lit a candle in memory of Donald Wythe Nixon*



**Jennifer Ennis** - February 10, 2016 at 07:50 AM

HF

“ I am so sorry for the loss of your dear loved one. May you find comfort in Gods promise to soon "swallow up death forever" and to "wipe away the tears from all our faces" (Isaiah 25:8)

---

**Hamm Family** - February 10, 2016 at 07:36 AM

GM

“ Cathe,

*You and Jordan are in my thoughts and prayers. I can only imagine what Don's first arrangement in heaven looks like. I can't wait to see. Words really can't express what I'm feeling right now but please know that you are loved and we are here for you.*

*Glenda McDuffie*

---

**Glenda McDuffie** - February 10, 2016 at 06:57 AM

GS

“ *Gayle Smith lit a candle in memory of Donald Wythe Nixon*



---

**Gayle Smith** - February 10, 2016 at 06:41 AM

BA

“ *Betty Anson lit a candle in memory of Donald Wythe Nixon*



---

**Betty Anson** - February 10, 2016 at 06:12 AM

DH

“ *Diane Hurley lit a candle in memory of Donald Wythe Nixon*



---

**Diane Hurley** - February 10, 2016 at 05:50 AM

DH

*Cathe, Jordan and Family -  
Sending love and prayers for comfort and peace during this time.*

---

**Diane Hurley** - February 10, 2016 at 05:52 AM

CP

*Cathe, Jordan and Family, my heart breaks for you. Please know each of you are in my prayers, love and thoughts.*

---

**Charlene Phelps** - February 10, 2016 at 06:48 AM

NS

*Cathe, Jordan and Family, I feel your pain, but know I am here for you if you need anything. Your in my prayers.*

*Norma Shoemaker & Joe*

---

**Norma Shoemaker** - February 10, 2016 at 11:14 AM

RM

“ *Robin Mann lit a candle in memory of Donald Wythe Nixon*



---

**Robin Mann** - February 09, 2016 at 09:28 PM

RM

*I am so lucky to have had the pleasure to know such a wonderful man!  
I am so sad to hear of his passing. I will be praying for you all.*

**Robin Mann** - February 09, 2016 at 09:34 PM

PV

*I consider myself lucky to have known Don and Cathe both for several  
years my heart is with Cathe at this time of sorrow*

**Patsy Vincent** - February 10, 2016 at 06:16 AM

MG

“ *So saddened to hear this about the passing of Don. My heart aches  
for Cathe and Jordan and the family... He was an amazing man and  
did so much for Coweta County, Newnan, and The Performing Arts  
Centre. I am blessed to have known him and his family! You will be  
missed! Rest in Peace. Prayers and love to Cathe and Jordan.*

**Mary Gahring** - February 09, 2016 at 09:27 PM

LD

“ *Cathe, Jordan and family,  
We are so sorry to hear about Don. Sending  
love and prayers to you all! Rob and Lisa  
Dunn and family*



**Lisa Dunn** - February 09, 2016 at 08:57 PM

MN

“ *Mary Alice Nash lit a candle in memory of  
Donald Wythe Nixon*



**Mary Alice Nash** - February 09, 2016 at 07:43 PM

SP

“ Sorry to hear this news. Our community lost a very special person. Sending prayers! -Sherry Pluskota



Sherry Pluskota - February 09, 2016 at 07:32 PM

Kelly Smith

“ Kelly Smith lit a candle in memory of Donald Wythe Nixon



Kelly Smith - February 09, 2016 at 06:29 PM

Kelly Smith

Cathe, Jordan and family, So sorry for your loss. Don was a brilliant man. We are so blessed to have had him in our lives. Coweta County will never be the same. He was one in a million. He was an inspiration to all of us. A great man. Heaven gained an angel, they are in for a treat. Love and prayers.

Kelly Smith - February 09, 2016 at 06:35 PM

RT

“ Cathe and Family. I can't imagine the loss today. Don was the most genuine person I have ever known. I am honored to have had him in my life. I know we all lost touch but none of you nor The Centre was ever far from my thoughts. This community has just begun to realize what it had and has now lost. There will never be another Don. God needed him more than us. Boy is heaven in for a treat. Love you all and you are in my prayers. Robin.

Robin Tucker - February 09, 2016 at 06:04 PM

SB

“ My friend and mentor will be missed by me and the dancers who loved him. May we all remember his dedication to the arts and encourage our young people to participate in all aspects of an art filled life. Rest in Peace, Don....I will see you again....Thanks for being such a good friend to me.....Stephen Ball  
Cathy and Jordan.....you will be in my prayers.

---

**stephen ball** - February 09, 2016 at 04:37 PM

CT

“ Donald Nixon was a treasure for Coweta County Schools and the arts. He generously gave of his time and expertise to help guide and encourage students at Smokey Road in public speaking. As a faculty sponsor for the school's oratorical contests, I knew I could always seek him out for advice and support for our students. He was a beautiful soul and will be missed greatly.

---

**Cindy Valentine, retired school teacher** - February 09, 2016 at 04:18 PM