



Estelle Lantzy

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Born in Akron, Ohio to Celia Loretta (Christy) Nichols and Eugene Wilbur Nichols, our mother was an amazing woman. She came into the world in Ohio, but after 67 years in Georgia, she could almost pull off a southern accent. She loved art, painting, pets (she had little choice here as we all brought home something with four legs on a regular basis), reading, playing Scrabble and Mexican Train, old black and white western movies, dark chocolate candy, sunsets, the mountains, her little house in the woods, sitting on the porch and watching the birds, telling stories about her life with her younger brothers. But most of all she loved God, family - her children, grand children and great grandchildren. In fact, she loved everyone's children! She read stories to her children from the time we were born. When she worked at the Clayton County Library for many years she often used one of her story dolls to tell the story. She helped many, many students who came to the library with research for school projects and learned a LOT herself. She was smart, funny, naïve and often gullible. She could beat most people at a game of Scrabble (except for her sister-in-law, Shirley, but she kept trying!)

She married Emmet Dwayne Lantzy May 18, 1947. The first child was born in

March, 1948 and continued to fill the house with four children in seven years - Linda, Judy, LeRoy and Kathy. She made our birthday cakes with carousels, flowers, animals and many other 'things' on them for decoration. Estelle was a life-long Methodist and was always active in the churches she attended, instilling a love of God in her children. She taught her children to love God, go to church, be kind, read, give back and pay it forward. She loved to travel and made trips to Europe, different places across the U.S. and often, just took us on drives around our area down dirt roads we hadn't travelled before - just to see something or someplace new.

Estelle had two younger brothers, Bill and Dick, and loved them dearly. Oh, the stories she could tell from her childhood and young years! She enjoyed her nieces and nephews as much as she loved her own children. If you met her, you loved her!

As grandchildren came along, her loving heart just grew bigger to make room for them all. Four children gave her five grandchildren and ten great grandchildren. All have benefited in having such a loving, caring Grandma and Great Grandma.

Estelle is preceded in death by her husband Dwayne, brothers Bill and Dick Nichols, and son LeRoy. She is survived by her daughters, Linda Junkin (Ronnie) MS, Judy Hill (George) MS and Kathy Wilson (Eddie) Newnan; Grandchildren Coleman Lantzy (NC), Erin Lantzy Johnson (GA), Sherry Wilson Abrams (GA), Lisa Wilson Murphy (HI) and Chris Hill (GA); and Great Grandchildren, Haven and Alana Neal, Nathan Johnson, Natalie Johnson, Aidan Abrams, Bailey Abrams, Lydia Murphy, Abigail Murphy, Caroline Murphy and Samantha Hill.

Graveside Service to be held Saturday, August 14, 10:30 a.m. at Forest Lawn Memorial Park, 656 Roscoe Road, Newnan GA. Memorials can be made to

Newnan First United Methodist Church, 33 Greenville Street, Newnan GA or to the charity of your choice. Condolences may be expressed to the family online at www.mckoon.com.

McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory 770-253-4580

Cemetery Details

Forest Lawn Memorial Park

656 Roscoe Road
Newnan, GA 30263

Previous Events

Graveside Service

AUG **14**. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

DM

“ I just became aware of the homegoing of a very special and dear person to me, my friend, Mrs. Lantzy, my first boss. In 1983 Ms. Lantzy took a chance on this newly graduated college student and gave me a job at the Jonesboro Library. My primary duties at the library were anything children, including, but definitely not limited to, storytimes, planning programs and designing bulletin boards! Ms. Lantzy taught me a lot of the things I learned regarding storytelling and program planning and I will be forever grateful for her. I remember doing the ghost stories with her underneath Wayne's five-and-dime store in Jonesboro. I remember her designing a shoe that she wanted to have for story times and when she had it made the person made it to the scale that she had designed it and it turned out to be a small clear high heel shoe that made many appearances at her storytimes! I retired from the library system in 2013 and it was because of the love, nurturing and instruction of Ms. Lantzy that I was able to succeed in this area of my life. Many of the life principles that she taught me I still remember today and still put into practice. I still live across from HQ and pass the "pink" house on King Road on my way home and I think of her and smile as I do. My heart goes out to the family and I will be praying for each and everyone of you because I know you miss her dearly. She was a one-in-a-million and I look at the pictures that have been posted and just cherish that sweet smile! Love, Dinane "Perry" Moore.

Dianne "Perry" Moore - September 07, 2021 at 10:48 PM

JM

“ To the dear family who has been nurtured by Estelle and in her senior years, received loving care from each of you. Estelle found fulfillment, security, and best of all she has felt the strong love of each of you as your ability to find ways to keep in touch with her monthly, weekly, and daily. You found ways to support her with your love and caring attention. This brought enrichment to her senior years in many ways. Estelle grew up with many hardships. But she found her way in her faith and did not hesitate to pass it on. When her life brought pain and loss, she rose to the occasion and never lost her ability to love and care for others. Such an amazing person! Pointing out just one gift she offered among hundreds, – she guided a young great granddaughter who asked her to show her how to paint and draw. So each week, at a special time she used zoom to interact with her great granddaughter who is living in Hawaii. Estelle offered her warm love to her parents, caring for her father in his last years. She kept in touch with her brothers and others including her cousins. She often touched my heart with the good memories we had together. Her Informative letters and phone calls brightened our lives. We so enjoyed being included when she came to Ohio. With my sympathy to all of her loved ones, as we mourn the loss of such a talented loving and caring person. Love and prayers, Juanita Morris (cousin)

Juanita Morris - August 16, 2021 at 11:07 AM

WS

“ Estelle was a wonderful lady -- a captivating storyteller, a painter with great gifts, a charming and warm friend. Lynn and I are praying for all of you. We will certainly miss her.

Winston Skinner - August 14, 2021 at 01:18 PM

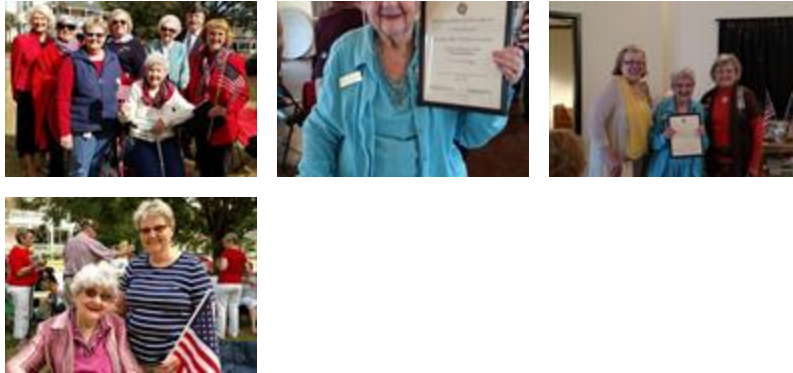
KW

Thank you. Winston. Mom thought a lot of you.

Kathy Lantzy Wilson - August 15, 2021 at 06:12 PM

AB

“ 4 files added to the album *Memories Album*



Anna Bulloch - August 12, 2021 at 11:40 AM

AB

“ *My friend Estelle in our DAR chapter General Daniel Newnan. She was faithful as long as she could be there. Kathy would bring her and I just took her under my wing. I made sure we had a place for her to sit in her walker/chair. I made sure she had refreshments or anything she needed. She was my friend. We had many things in common, but we mostly talked about our schnauzers, both named Molly. We will surely miss you Miss Estelle, but know you are in heaven with those family members there. Much love,*
Anna Hicks Bulloch

Anna Bulloch - August 12, 2021 at 11:37 AM

LJ

Thank for the kind memories. Linda Junkin, her daughter.

Linda Junkin - August 12, 2021 at 12:20 PM

KW

Ann, Mom talked about you often and how you took care of her at DAR meetings. She missed attending during the pandemic. Thank you fir you sweet words.

Kathy Lantzy Wilson - August 15, 2021 at 06:14 PM

BJ

“*Estelle was such a wonderful friend to the DAR and our General Daniel Newnan Chapter. Seeing her at patriotic events at the Veterans Park in Newnan always made those events more special to me, and to our members. She was such a servant leader when she came into our chapter: What can I do? Recording Secretary? Yes, I can do that, and she did for as long as she could. Our family was blessed to know Estelle and be warmed by her smile, knowing that behind that smile was a heart beating for the Love of God. Now the wait is over: she gets to see all those long gone family members, and the Lord. She is happier than she has ever been. Our loss. Heaven's gain. <3*

Brenda & David Jessel - August 11, 2021 at 05:10 PM

LJ

*She left us lots of notes in short hand which none of us can read!
Daughter, Linda Junkin*

Linda Junkin - August 12, 2021 at 12:22 PM

KW

Thank you, Brenda. Mom did enjoy her time at DAR meeting and taking the minutes. I often typed them up for her when we got home. She would have to dictate to me if she had written them in shorthand.

Kathy Lantzy Wilson - August 15, 2021 at 06:17 PM

GP

“ Kathy so sorry for your loss. Your mom was a wonderful lady and she will be missed. Praying for all of you to be comforted by God during this time of loss.

Love,
Ray and Gerrie

Gerrie Petty - August 11, 2021 at 01:11 PM

KW

Thank you, Gerrie. We miss her but I know where I will find her when I see her again. She will be painting pictures for all the rooms in God's house!

Kathy Lantzy Wilson - August 15, 2021 at 06:20 PM

TP

“ Estelle was a wonderful lady and sweet soul. Prayers for Kathy and her family.

Terry Pylant - August 11, 2021 at 12:53 PM

KW

Thank you, Terry.

Kathy Lantzy Wilson - August 15, 2021 at 06:20 PM



“ Guiding Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Estelle Lantzy.



August 11, 2021 at 12:17 PM

SA

“ *Kathy your family is in our prayers! You Mom was such a happy person, always had a smile. She will be missed!* ”

sallybbrown - August 11, 2021 at 08:38 AM

BF

Enjoyed many wonderful years as Sunday School Class members and camping buddies. She is missed by many and our condolences go out to all family and friends.

Ben & Maria Freeman

Ben & Maria Freeman - August 11, 2021 at 09:02 AM

CM

Dear Kathy and family I loved your mother so she was a beautiful woman and always had kind things to say we will miss her terribly but she will be with her maker and no more pain just a beautiful life with God

Cheryl. and John Morris - August 11, 2021 at 01:43 PM

EC

Dear Kathy and family, I enjoyed being with Estelle, setting with her in church and our Friendship Class visits. She was a special lady.

Evelyn Clifton - August 11, 2021 at 08:29 PM

MJ

Dear Kathy, Eddie, and family, I am so sorry for your loss. I know you loved Estelle well. I always enjoyed having her in bible study and seeing her at church. She was a special lady, and she will be missed.

Melinda Jackson - August 11, 2021 at 08:37 PM

KW

Thank you to each of you for your memories of our sweet mom. She did love her church families.

Kathy Lantzy Wilson - August 15, 2021 at 06:22 PM