



Frederic Raymond Blackwell

December 24, 1937 - July 8, 2011

Frederic Raymond "Fred" Blackwell, age 73, of Newnan, died July 8, 2011 at Newnan Hospital Nursing and Rehabilitation Center as a result of complications related to cancer. Fred was born December 24, 1937 in Seminary, Mississippi and was one of three children born to the late Dwight Moody and Bessie Jones Blackwell. In 1960, Fred earned his Bachelor of Science Degree at Mississippi College. He later attended what is now The University of West Georgia and attained his Masters of Education in 1971 and his Specialist in Education in 1981. He retired from the Atlanta Public School System in 1993. Fred was a man of great compassion and found a second career in the Department of Patient and Family Services with Piedmont Newnan Hospital. It was an opportunity for service that he enjoyed for 10 years. Fred truly enjoyed his life that was filled with friends and generously shared his talents as a decorator and his love for flowers and landscaping. He held a deep appreciation for all things of beauty including the fine arts. He was a fierce defender of all that should be right in the world and when entrusted with the duty to preserve and conserve the assets left to the citizens of Newnan by the late Edgar B. Hollis, he left no stone unturned towards that end. Surviving Fred is his wife of 47 years, Nell Williams Blackwell of Newnan; a brother, Dwight Moody Blackwell, Jr. of LaVerne, California and a nephew, Anthony Harrison Blackwell of Hattiesburg, Mississippi. Funeral arrangements are by McKoon Funeral Home at 38 Jackson Street. The funeral service for Mr. Blackwell will be on Monday, July 11, 2011 at 10:00 AM at Oak Hill

Cemetery. Reverend Bill Reeves and Reverend Allan Rainwater will officiate. Those who wish to honor Fred's life and memory may do so by memorial contributions in his name to either The Newnan Hospital Nursing and Rehabilitation Center or VistaCare Hospice. Both of these meant so much to Fred and his family during these difficult days past. Online condolences may be expressed at www.mckoon.com. McKoon Funeral Home 770-253-4580-.

Cemetery Details

Oak Hill Cemetery

96 Jefferson Street
Newnan, GA 30263
(770) 253-3744

Previous Events

Service

JUL 11. 10:00 AM (ET)

Graveside Oak Hill Cemetery
96 Jefferson Street
Newnan, GA 30263

Tribute Wall

BB

“ *My sincere condolences To the Family, I am a former student from Southwest High School and had Mr. Blackwell for biology. I am now an elementary school teacher. I remember Mr. Blackwell as being one of the teachers that made learning fun. He had a wonderful sense of humor and cared about students. He made an impact on many. He is one of the teachers that I will never forget. May he rest in peace and may you find peace with the memories Brandi Boyle.*

Brandi Boyle - July 25, 2011 at 04:25 AM

TW

“ *Mrs. Blackwell, I am so very sorry to hear about Mr. Blackwell's recent passing. I was one of his students when he taught Biology at Southwest High School in 1964. He made Biology fun and exciting for everyone he taught. Several years ago I happened to run into him at Newnan Hospital when he was working there and he not only remembered me, but almost everyone in our class. He was a very special person and he will be missed by all.*

Trudy Howard Wray - July 21, 2011 at 03:11 PM

JB

“ *Nell, our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. We shall all miss Fred and remember him as a gentle, but courageous, Southern gentleman.*

Jim & Carol Burke - July 12, 2011 at 09:24 PM

JB

“ *Dear Nell, During this time of sorrow, may you find strength and assurance in the ever-presence of God, family, and friends. Regards, Jay & Betty*

Jay & Betty Baggett - July 11, 2011 at 10:08 AM

KG

“ MY THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH THE FAMILY. FRED AND I WORKED TOGETHER AT THE HOSPITAL. HE WAS A JOY AND A WISE MAN. HE WILL BE MISSED. GOD'S CONTINUED BLESSINGS.

KATHY GAY - July 11, 2011 at 10:07 AM

CB

“ Ms Nell, I am so sad to hear about Fred's death. I worked with him at Newnan Hospital for many years, and was blessed to call him my friend. He cared about his friends here and the patients he helped too. But the love he talked to us about was you. I can only imagine how much you will miss him. Keep those precious memories you two shared in your heart, and he will be with you forever. My thoughts and prayers are with you today. I wish I could be there, but have to work. Carolyn Brooks

Carolyn Brooks - July 11, 2011 at 08:58 AM

DJ

“ Dear Nell and Family, We are so sorry to hear of Fred's death. We considered Fred a Friend. We Met him at Newnan Hospital one night and he was so helpful, then we found out he went to our Church. He was a super nice person. May the Good Lord give you strength and love in the future to get through the lost of Fred. God loves you and we do too, Don and Mildred Jones

Don and Mildred Jones - July 11, 2011 at 07:46 AM

JJ

“ Mrs. Nell, please accept my deepest sympathy for your lose, Fred was a great teacher at Therrell and I really enjoyed working with him, at Newnan Hospital, he was a fun guy to talk to, I also enjoyed doing work at your home. Thanks for allowing me to be part of Freds Life, My God be with You! If you need my help please contact me! Jerome Rucker

Jerome Rucker Jr. - July 11, 2011 at 07:36 AM

WN

“ Sorry to hear of the passing of Fred, one of my favorite cousins and childhood friend growing up in Seminary. Keeping the family in our prayers.

Willie Merle Blackwell Newton - July 10, 2011 at 07:21 PM

JU

“ I was so saddened to read of Fred's passing. I knew him from his Newnan Hospital days. He was one of the nicest men I've ever known. js

Judy - July 10, 2011 at 08:28 AM

SF

“ To the family: Nell, Fred was a great inspiration to me while he was employed here at Piedmont "Newnan" Hospital. I enjoyed working with him and he was such a great help and understanding with the everyday life situations. I made a nice and compassionate friend in Fred and I for one will miss him dearly! God Bless You All!! Stan Freeman

Stan Freeman - July 10, 2011 at 07:41 AM

DB

“ Nell, we know your great sorrow and have you in our prayers. Dwight remarked that it wasn't supposed to happen this way. First Joe and now Fred, both beloved by us. We would love to have you come here for a long visit. Our days of traveling are gone. Peace be with you. Dorothy and Dwight

Dwight & Dorothy Blackwell - July 10, 2011 at 12:35 AM

LZ

“ Dear Nell, You are in my thoughts and prayers as you bereave the loss of your beloved mate. May God bless you and give you special strength at this most difficult time. HE cares for you.. Psalm 121
With Love, Lialine

Lialine Zydiak - July 09, 2011 at 08:18 PM

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“ Fred was a very special person. I enjoyed working with him at Newnan Hospital. He touched many lives. I will miss him and all his wisdom. May God bless you. With love and peace, Pat

Patricia L. Lewis (Pat) - July 09, 2011 at 07:10 PM

SJ

“ My Dearest Cousin Nell, I am sorry for the loss of your dear Husband, Fred. May all the special things you shared with your loved one live on in your heart forever. God Bless you through all the difficult times. Sylvia

Sylvia Williams Johnson - July 09, 2011 at 05:57 PM

CW

“ It was such an honor to serve with Fred on the founding Board of the Newnan Carnegie Library Foundation. His generous service to our community made a difference in the quality of our lives in Newnan. He will be long remembered, Nell. Carol and Charles Wilson

Charles and Carol Wilson - July 09, 2011 at 02:14 PM

PW

“ Nell, Bev and I are so very sorry for your loss. You are in our prayers. God bless you.

Paul & Beverly Watkins - July 09, 2011 at 01:54 PM

SW

“ Dear Nell, please accept my deepest sympathy in the death of Fred. I thought so much of the two of you and I am shocked at how sick he must have been. I hope that fond memories will bring you and your family a source of peace and comfort. With much affection, Sally Wood

sally wood - July 09, 2011 at 10:09 AM

BP

“ NELL, SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS OF A GREAT HUSBAND AND OUR LOSS OF A WONDERFUL FRIEND. BARRY

BARRY PHILLIPS - July 08, 2011 at 07:35 PM