



Mrs. Yvonne Griffith

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Lifelong resident of Bogalusa, Louisiana Yvonne Grace Malley Griffith went to heaven May 24, 2021, she was 93 yrs. Yvonne was born November 13, 1927 in Bogalusa, La. to Joseph and Norma Malley.

Yvonne graduated from Bogalusa High School. She received the B.A. and M.Ed from Southeastern Louisiana College. A dedicated educator, Yvonne served the Bogalusa City School System as a teacher and supervisor for forty-one years.

An active member of the Louisiana Teachers Association, she served as President for many years, and she also served on many state and national educational committees. In addition, she was a member and officer of both Kappa Kappa Iota and Delta Kappa Gamma, education sororities.

Yvonne is a longtime member of the First Baptist Church where she served in many capacities and membership on church committees and as a Sunday School Teacher. Her civic work includes membership in the Bogalusa Civic League, Alphega Literary Society and Ingleside Literary Symposium. Yvonne did outstanding work for historic bogalusa celebrations and the Bogalusa Dogwood Tours.

Yvonne served the Washington Parish Fair Association longer than other long-term members. She was a Member Emeritus of the Washington Parish Fair Association. She loved the Fair from early childhood.

She was preceded in death by husband Frank Griffith Jr., daughter Susan Griffith Donald and grandson Nathan Griffith. She is survived by her son Frank Griffith, III and spouse Carol, son-in-law Randy Donald, grandsons, Alan and Dr. Michael Donald, Gervais Sharp and granddaughter Ashley Sharp, great-grandson Cole Sharp.

Pallbearers will be Alan Donald, Dr. Michael Donald, Gervais Sharp, Cole Sharp.



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A very special thank you to caregiver Cathy Williams, Hospice of Baton Rouge and Grace Nursing Home.



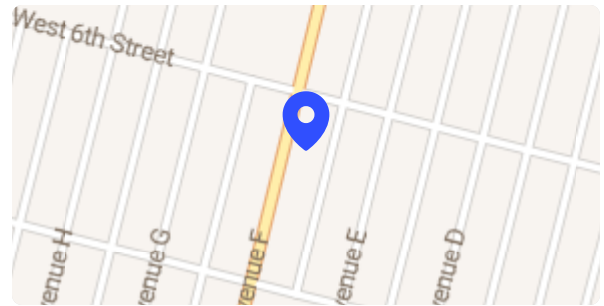
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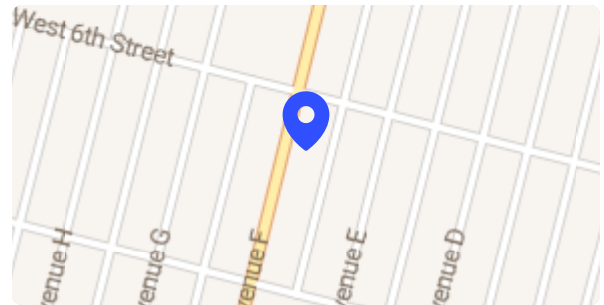
Visitation

- Sunday**, May 30, 2021
- 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM CT
- Brown-McGehee Funeral Home**
610 Avenue F, Bogalusa LA 70427



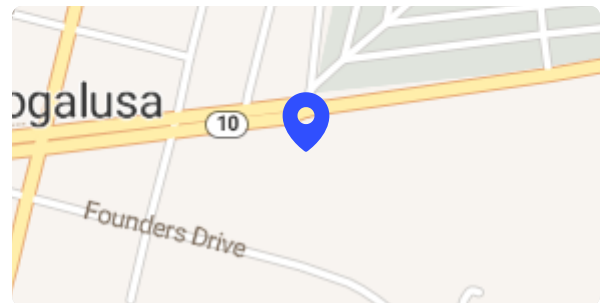
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Cemetery Details

- Ponemah Cemetery**
1136 Louisiana Ave, Bogalusa LA 70427
- (985) 732-6213**





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JF

Jennifer Fortenberry posted:

I'm so sorry for the loss of your mother. She was a special lady to my Mom (Sue Fortenberry). My family took trips to Florida with the SAK group every summer. We had a blast. Your mom loved Conway Twitty. She would say to me Hello Darling almost every time she saw me. Had some good memories. Again I'm sorry for your loss. Daughter of John and Sue Fortenberry Jennifer Fortenberry

May 30 at 8:32 PM

BS

Beverly Simpson posted:

"Good things come in small packages," is an idiom people used to use all the time. Anyone familiar with my aunt Yvonne and our relatives in the Malley family certainly would not argue that point; though I doubt anyone would truly refer to her as "small." She was not small to me during most of the time I spent with her as I was a child and she was an adult and thus by definition she was not small. My father was her younger brother. "Billy Wayne" she called him, though he referred to himself as "Bill" He always told everyone how pretty his sister was and truly, she was a very pretty lady. He admired her success and her intelligence and was very proud of her. Until his death at the age of 39; visiting my grandparents in their home in Bogalusa and spending some time playing with Susan at Aunt Yvonne's lovely home was routine. (Frankie was too cool for us little girls as he was a teenager LOL). Daddy died when I was 11 and after that I regret to say that our contact was not as frequent but through the years when I got older I would come to Bogalusa from time to time. Aunt Yvonne was glad to see me and there was always a hot cup of coffee, a seat at the kitchen table and maybe a piece of pound cake sometimes there with my name on it. She was always ready to catch up on what was going on with me, my family and my life. We would sit at that table, talk about our shared times and heritage and solve the world's problems. We connected through email on a regular basis for a while when we both discovered the internet. When I got a cell phone and she was still living at home, I would call her and sometimes we would discuss the Sunday School lesson for the coming week when we found out it was the same for both of us. "I hope you know that I am praying for you," she would say. Sometimes we prayed on the phone. I miss those times. There is no such thing as someone having too many people who love them enough to pray for them regularly. She was a jewel and I know without a doubt that there is much rejoicing in heaven as she joins her beloved family there.

May 25 at 6:44 AM



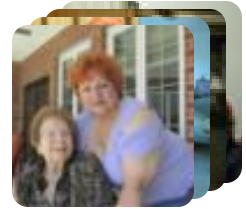
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Cheryl Welch Girdali shared 9 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.



Frankie, Words cannot express what Yvonne meant to me. I will treasure every memory I have of the times we spent together either in person or on the phone! Her heart was so enormous and filled with love. Every time I watch an LSU baseball or football game I feel like she is right next to me giving me all the stats on all the players! She was a vessel of knowledge about so many things, our ancestry, our State, the government, and all things educational. She loved her Country and I admired and love her so much. I will always see her beautiful face in my memory. She was a very special person to me. She may be gone but she will never be forgotten. May she Rest In Peace with The Lord!!

May 25 at 6:44 AM



Allen Carlisle posted:

Growing up in Bogalusa, Mrs Griffith was like a second Mom to me. Frankie and I spent many hours together and my High School years were blessed because of her and her ability to teach and train. Frankie I am so sorry for your loss. I won't be able to attend but you and your family are in my prayers. God bless to all, Allen Carlisle

May 26 at 8:53 AM



Christle Griffith posted:

Words can not express the grief that runs through my veins at the loss of Yvonne and the tears I shed quietly. Although through tough circumstances we had to lose contact later in life, we each knew we shared a loving bond. She always treated me like a daughter, told me I would always be hers, and loved me without question. She grieved with me when we lost Nathan as I grieved with her when she lost Frank and Susan. I never doubted any of this. I know she is holding them all now and we will meet up together one day. We made many happy memories from SAK, church, trips and Sunday dinners! One of the funniest is Frank smelling the mailbox he got for Christmas...you had to be there! I love you, Yvonne. Christle

May 26 at 6:32 AM



Barbara Lewis posted:

Thoughts and Prayers to Frankie and Family in the loss of your Mom. We were neighbors in Bogalusa and Mr. Frank and Joey were great buddies! Your Mom had so many interests and knowledge and truly loved you and Susan. Ted and Barbara Lewis, Kentwood, La 🙏❤️✝️

May 26 at 6:25 AM



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Anonymous sent a Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- Lavender and White to the Griffith family.



May 26 at 4:02 AM



Darlene Jenkins posted:

My prayers are with Frankie and family. I loved Mrs Griffith Had her for teacher at BJHS before it burntAnd down through years I saw her in town and at Walmart when I worked there. She always had a hug and love for me. And of course graduated with Frankie. please call me if I can help or do anything.

May 25 at 3:54 PM



Phyllis McCormick-Krenek posted:

Yvonne,Was a cousin. My grandmother and her mom were sisters. I can tell you I had many Mardi Gras balls with her and Frank. She has the most beautiful smile. My condolences go out to Frankie and the rest of the family.

May 25 at 1:44 PM



David Wascom posted:

SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS FRANKIE

May 25 at 12:16 PM



Richard Humphrey May 25 at 4:58 PM

So sorry for your loss Frankie, she was always nice to me when we played as kids. I talked with her a few years ago while in Mississippi at the cousins reunion. She remembered the big Buick that your dad bought her back in 57 or 58, she said that she loved that car and was surprised that I remembered it. She's received her reward. Dickey Humphrey



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BR

Barbara Richoux posted:

Yvonne, was such a Special Lady! She was not only my 1st cousin, but a wonderful person and friend! I am so glad my sister Cheryl and I got to spend so many wonderful visits with her at her home in Bogalusa. We spent many hours going over our Welch Family History. Yvonne was 3rd in the long line of cousins, and had more family info. than most of us had. We loved hearing all the stories and just loved her company. Even though she had lost her sight, she was always ready to go anywhere. She loved her family and all the people from her church, Fair organization, and former students and friends. We will always miss her beautiful smile, laughter, knowledge and most of all her presence! She lived a long and full life and loved just learning and teaching! My deepest sympathy to Frankie, and all the family. Barbara Welch Richoux

May 25 at 12:01 PM

GD

Grace Hall-Dorsey lit a candle in honor of Yvonne.

I send my deepest condolences to Frank and all the people who loved her. She was a wonderful teacher and friend. I loved that she would give me the keys to her car to go to pick up/deliver packages for Susan. To be trusted that way meant a lot to me. She was a mother hen to her SAK girls and loved each one of us. She was the most encouraging teacher I ever had. I've missed her for a long time.



May 25 at 11:35 AM

JB

John D. Booth posted:

I am grateful to Mrs. Griffith for the skills in writing copy and layout that I learned in her classes. They have been useful both in church ministry and in University teaching. Mostly she really cared for us as students gave us a healthy sense of self worth. On the light side... she should have been "sainted" for dealing with some of us. Dr. John D. Booth

May 25 at 11:19 AM

PA

Paul Adams posted:

My condolences to all her extended family and the many students that loved her! One of my best teachers, her energy and enthusiasm was contagious. Paul Adams

May 25 at 10:35 AM



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KC

Kay Burkett Crowe posted:

Mrs Griffith is missed and will always be thought of with fond, loving memories. She was also the force behind SAK. We all had so much enjoyment with her as our leader and founder.

May 25 at 10:06 AM

RT

Renee Riley Todd posted:

Aunt Yvonne was one of my favorite Aunts!! So many wonderful memories of her, Uncle Junior, Frankie and Susan!! Praying for Frankie, her family and friends 🙏

May 25 at 9:33 AM

BG

Bonnie Pope Granger posted:

Mrs. Yvonne Griffith was like a second mother to me during High School and we remained in contact for many years afterwards. She was such a jewel to me and many of us SAK girls. I know she is rejoicing to join Papa Griff, Susan and Nathan in heaven. I pray for Frankie and the rest of the family and her hosts of friends as we will all miss her here on earth.

May 25 at 6:44 AM

DT

Darlene Tenney May 26 at 12:10 PM

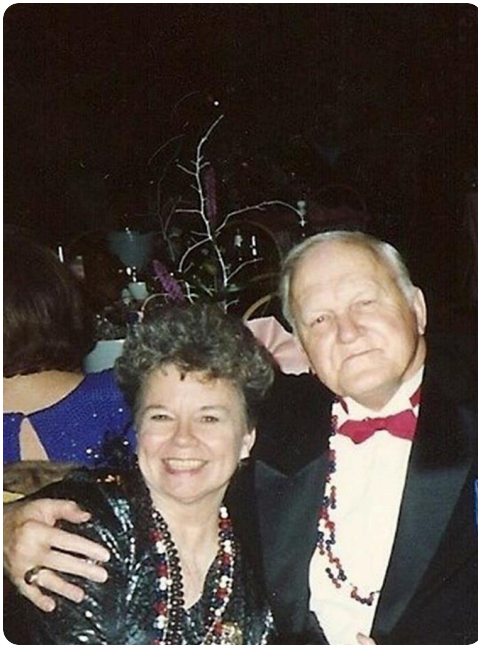
Yvonne was a special person. She took Christle under her wing when she transferred to college in LA and always tried to assist her in any way she could. A real friend to this family. Wonderful memories of the time in WV when we had a house full - Tenneys, Griffiths, Johnsons, Janet, Dottie - it was wall to wall people! Rest well Yvonne, you earned every minute of heaven. Darlene Breland Tenney



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May 27 at 6:05 PM







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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Yvonne by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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