



Dr. Nancy Van Prooyen

February 24, 1948 - February 17, 2018

Dr. Nancy Van Prooyen went home to be with her Lord on Saturday, February 17, 2018. She was born February 24, 1948 in Wausau, Wisconsin to the late Nicholas and Lorraine (Gutowski) Van Prooyen. She was a graduate of Wausau High School, Grand Rapids School of Bible and Music, Bryan College, West Georgia College and Vanderbilt University where she received her doctorate in educational leadership. Nancy possessed a keen intellect that was surpassed only by her magnetic personality. Nancy's friends number in the hundreds.

Nancy dedicated her life to serving her community in a variety of ways. She impacted the lives of children and families throughout her career as a dedicated educator. She taught elementary school at Chickamauga City Schools then served there as principal and curriculum director. She was an assistant principal at Ringgold High School for four years. Miss Van Prooyen received her Bachelors degree in Elementary Education from William Jennings Bryan College in Dayton, Tennessee. While at Bryan, she received the Student Teacher of the Year Award and the Faithfulness and Loyalty Award. Miss Van Prooyen received her Masters Degree in Elementary Education from West Georgia College. In 1981, she added Administration and Supervision to her Masters degree. Later she obtained her Administration and Supervision certificate and also an Education Specialist degree.

In the last 15 years of her career, she served in Hamilton County Schools as a school improvement specialist serving Ooltewah High School, East Ridge

High School and many other schools in the area. She served on the Walker County Chamber and the Hutcheson Health Enterprise Board. She had been a member of Gamma Theta Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma and Battlefield Pilot Club. Nancy was of the Baptist faith.

Nancy was preceded in death by her parents and eldest sister Sally, and survived by sister Shirley Anderson of Tomahawk, WI and Rev. Gerald (Jerry) Van Prooyen of Cadillac, MI., 8 nieces and nephews, and several grand nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be held at 3:00 pm on Sunday, March 4, 2018 in the funeral home chapel, with Rev. Gerald Van Prooyen officiating. A time of fellowship for Nancy's friends and family will be held immediately after the service at the Wallace Building at 71 Red Belt Rd. Chickamauga GA 30707. Arrangements by Wilson Funeral Home-Ft. Oglethorpe.

Tribute Wall

MS

“ *Mary , Danny And Hannah Shiver lit a candle in memory of Dr. Nancy Van Prooyen*



mary , danny and hannah shiver - March 03, 2018 at 09:58 PM

JM

“ *I will miss you. You were a great neighbor*

james mcgregor - March 03, 2018 at 07:57 PM

JM

“ *James Mcgregor lit a candle in memory of Dr. Nancy Van Prooyen*



james mcgregor - March 03, 2018 at 07:54 PM

GB

“ *We only knew you for a few short years. But we're glad our paths crossed. Rest In Peace. Gary and Barb*



Gary and Barb - March 02, 2018 at 08:57 PM

JA

“ *Joy Abbott lit a candle in memory of Dr. Nancy Van Prooyen*



Joy Abbott - March 01, 2018 at 08:18 PM

JS

“ *Janice K Snow lit a candle in memory of Dr. Nancy Van Prooyen*



Janice K Snow - March 01, 2018 at 04:31 PM

TA

“ *Tiny Autrey lit a candle in memory of Dr. Nancy Van Prooyen*



Tiny Autrey - March 01, 2018 at 04:29 PM

DP

“ Nancy was a beautiful person and touched many lives. My one special memory was when my girls were in elementary school. Every time I would go to talk to her about something we always ended up talking about clothes and ind day opening a dress shop. Well, that never happened but we had fun planning it!! Rest In Peace my friend.

My condolences to her family.

Debbie Póteet

Debra Potert - February 28, 2018 at 09:03 PM

IJ

“ Iris Jones lit a candle in memory of Dr. Nancy Van Prooyen



Iris Jones - February 28, 2018 at 07:31 PM

SF

“ Sharon Ford lit a candle in memory of Dr. Nancy Van Prooyen



Sharon Ford - February 28, 2018 at 04:42 PM

SF

My precious dear friend ! Always encouraging and seeing the potential in others . A faithful servant of our Lord . Her life lived set a Christian example for all . she lived truly by her faith . A great loss of a precious friend .

Sharon Ford - February 28, 2018 at 04:48 PM

DW

“ *Donata Walker lit a candle in memory of Dr. Nancy Van Prooyen*



Donata Walker - February 28, 2018 at 10:22 AM

BD

“ *Such a special lady and extraordinary educator. I am so glad we crossed paths. God speed Dr Van Prooyen. You will be missed.*



Betsy Walker Davis - February 28, 2018 at 09:34 AM

DM

“ *Donna Gordy Montgomery lit a candle in memory of Dr. Nancy Van Prooyen*



Donna Gordy Montgomery - February 28, 2018 at 08:07 AM

BB

“ *Barbara Burn lit a candle in memory of Dr. Nancy Van Prooyen*



Barbara Burn - February 28, 2018 at 04:40 AM

LT

“ One special lady who did something special for me in 5 th grade.



Lynn Taylot - February 27, 2018 at 09:29 PM

TR

“ Tammy Autry Ramsey lit a candle in memory of Dr. Nancy Van Prooyen



Tammy Autry Ramsey - February 27, 2018 at 05:22 PM

Denise Yates

“ Thank you for your friendship to the parents of Chickamauga elementary and most importantly to the children whose lives you touched in many ways over many years. My children and I appreciated and loved you very much! You will be greatly missed.

Denise Yates - February 27, 2018 at 02:41 PM

JW

“ Thank you Nancy for always supporting me as your sixth grade student and later as your colleague. Rest In Peace.



Jan Wright - February 27, 2018 at 02:06 PM

TW

“ *Tina Waters lit a candle in memory of Dr. Nancy Van Prooyen*



Tina Waters - February 27, 2018 at 01:58 PM