



## Mrs. Sandra Kay Parrish

August 5, 1950 - November 10, 2025

Sandra Kay Guffey Parrish age 75, of Chickamauga, Georgia, went home to be with The Lord on Monday – November 10, 2025. She was born in Chickamauga to the late Curtis Lee Guffey, Sr., and Martha Kate Wallace Guffey. She was a graduate of Gordon Lee High School – Class of 1968. She earned her Bachelor of Science Degree in Education from West Georgia College and received her Specialist Degree in Professional Leadership from Jacksonville State University. Her first teaching position was at H.A. Jones Elementary in Bremen, Georgia. She started her career with Chickamauga City Schools at the elementary school where she taught second, third, and kindergarten, and later became the first principal of Gordon Lee Middle School. She finished her career serving as the Curriculum Director and Assistant Superintendent for the school system. She was a member of D.A.R. and various other professional organizations. She enjoyed traveling, shopping, and supporting her favorite Georgia Bulldogs Team. She was of the Baptist faith. She is preceded in death by her parents, Curtis Sr. and Kate Guffey and her brother-in-law, Grant Parrish. Sandra is survived by her husband of fifty-three years: James William “Jay / J.W.” Parrish, their children: Paige (Robert) Riese, Jason (Dee) Parrish, sister: Suzy Shipley, brothers: Gary Lee Guffey, Curtis Lee (Teresa) Guffey, Jr., grandchildren: Jenna Paige (Owen) Mixon, Kaitlee Elizabeth Riese, Ryan James Riese, Adiah Kate Riese, several nieces and nephews. The family will receive friends Thursday from 3:00 pm until 8:00 pm and Friday after 10:00 am until the service. Funeral

services will be held at 1:00 pm – Friday – November 14, 2025, in the chapel with Pastor Zach Fitzpatrick officiating. Those attending are asked to wear blue, Sandra's favorite color. Burial will follow at Chickamauga Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Mary Ellen Locher Breast Cancer Foundation at [melfoundation.org](http://melfoundation.org) or P.O. Box 4032 – Chattanooga, Tennessee 37405. Arrangements by Wilson Funeral Homes – Chickamauga, Georgia. Online register book at [www.wilsonfuneralhome.com](http://www.wilsonfuneralhome.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Chickamauga City Cemetery

Lee Ave.  
Chickamauga, GA 30707

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 13. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wilson Funeral Homes - Chickamauga Chapel  
215 Lee Ave.  
P.O. Box 370  
Chickamauga, GA 30707  
(706) 375-2161  
[bo@wilsonfuneralhome.com](mailto:bo@wilsonfuneralhome.com)  
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## Visitation

NOV 14. 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

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## Funeral Service

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NOV **14**. 1:00 PM (ET)

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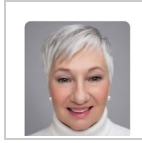
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# Tribute Wall



“ Condolences to The Parrish Family in Sandra's passing. She was a Remarkable Cornerstone in the Chickamauga GA Community and We rememver Her fondly. .. MY Amy was a classmate of Jason. GOD'S Almighty Comfort we pray. Joy Merritt Cain, Amy Merritt and Kimberley Merritt Hill

Joy Cain - November 14, 2025 at 02:07 PM



“ Sandra you were my other mom all through high school and I have so many great memories. Thanks for taking me and Jason to Baseball camp in Florida! You are in a better place now but thank you for the lasting impact you left us.

Todd Sturdivant - November 13, 2025 at 10:16 PM



“ I remember her I was in 3rd grade.thats been over 50 years ago.she was the best

Randy L Pyburn - November 13, 2025 at 11:20 AM



“ Mike / Sandy ( Couch ) Menkhoff planted a <a href="/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518">Memorial Tree</a> in honor of Mrs. Sandra Kay Parrish.

Mike / Sandy ( Couch ) Menkhoff - November 12, 2025 at 04:01 PM

MM

“ Mike / Sandy ( Couch ) Menkhoff purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Mrs. Sandra Kay Parrish.



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**Mike / Sandy ( Couch ) Menkhoff** - November 12, 2025 at 04:01 PM

CL

“ Cheryl Lowery lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Sandra Kay Parrish



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**Cheryl Lowery** - November 12, 2025 at 12:17 PM

KT

“ Prayers to Sandra’s family. She was a great lady that will be missed by all that knew her.



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**Karen Tucker** - November 12, 2025 at 12:02 PM

TF

“ The Mixon Family , Tampa FL planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Sandra Kay Parrish.

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**The Mixon Family , Tampa FL** - November 12, 2025 at 11:24 AM



“ *Heavenly Grace Spray was purchased for the family of Mrs. Sandra Kay Parrish.*



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November 12, 2025 at 11:24 AM



“ *Our prayers are with the family at this difficult time.*



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**James and Jewll Chason** - November 12, 2025 at 06:18 AM



“ *Gary Madaris and Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Sandra Kay Parrish.*

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**Gary Madaris and Family** - November 11, 2025 at 07:20 PM



“ *Pink Potpourri Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Sandra Kay Parrish.*



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November 11, 2025 at 07:20 PM

GN

“ Our family adored Mrs. Parrish. She taught one of our sons in kindergarten and knew our other children as well. She was an outstanding teacher and was always encouraging her students to do their best. She touched many lives during her years in the Gordon Lee School System.

Heaven has received another sweet angel. Our condolences to this fine family. RIP Mrs. Parrish you will be missed by many. Mike and Georgia Nance, J.B., Joe and Johnna

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**Georgia Nance** - November 11, 2025 at 07:04 PM

JN

“ I only knew Sandra from our college days, but she was always dear to me. She was a special friend. I know she will be missed by Jay and their children. My heart breaks for the family. Prayers for all.

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**Jane Nichols** - November 11, 2025 at 06:06 PM

BM

“ JW, It's obvious what a well loved sweet lady! From knowing you, I know how special she was. I will be praying for you and your family. Hold on to those sweet memories. Barbara McCroskey

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**Barbara McCroskey** - November 11, 2025 at 03:11 PM