



## Peggy Brewer Joyce

October 24, 1932 - December 21, 2020

Peggy Brewer Joyce, 88, passed away on Monday, December 21, 2020, at Country-side Manor.

A private graveside service will be held at Stokesdale United Methodist Church cemetery with Rev. Dr. Ed McKinney officiating. A recording of the service will be available on Monday, December 28, on the Stokesdale United Methodist Church Facebook page.

A native of Anson County, Peggy was born on October 24, 1932 the daughter of the late Claude Brewer and Dezzie Simpson Brewer. Following high school she graduated from High Point College, earning her Master's degree in 1958 and began a long career in elementary education. It was at High Point College where she met her husband Jesse Joyce. Over the years she taught at both Stokesdale and Laughlin Elementary Schools and went on to serve as principal at both schools. In 1990 she was chosen as Principal of the Year for Guilford County Schools. She was also an active member at her church, serving in various capacities. She also served on the committee that worked tirelessly to raise money and establish the veteran's monument in Stokesdale.

Preceding her in death are her husband, Jesse Blanton, Joyce, Sr., sister Alice Birmingham, and brother C. W. Brewer, Jr.

Surviving are her son Jesse B. 'Jay' Joyce, Jr. of Madison; daughter Jan Wyrick (Dale) of Summerfield; 5 grandchildren Amber Joyce, Roger Rich (Angie), Austin Wyrick, Brooke Wyrick, and Evan Wyrick; and 4 great grandchildren Hayden Hunt, Caleb Rich, Corey Rich and Cara Rich.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Stokesdale United Methodist Church, PO Box 38, Stokesdale, NC 27357 or the Resident Activity Fund, c/o Countryside Village, 7700 US 158, Stokesdale, NC 27357

# Comments

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“ So sorry to hear of Peggy’s death- she was a special lady, a Great Lake “ Neighbour” all these years, as was Jesse - she painted Easter Eggs for the boys many times- we still have the collection- We are thinking of you guys and send our deepest sympathy-

Temple and Dan and GranCarol

Temple Kennedy - December 31, 2020 at 06:26 PM

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“ It is so sad to hear about Mrs. Joyce's passing.  
I met Mrs. Joyce, the most Thoughtful and Caring Principal, at Laughlin Primary School in 1978. She was outside every morning at 7:00 to greet children rain or shine with genuine loving arms. She gave so much to the lives of children, staff, and community. Mrs. Joyce will always stay in my heart as the most loving and kindhearted friend.  
My prayers go to Jay, Jan, and the family.



Yujung Seo - December 27, 2020 at 04:36 PM

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“ I guess I met her when I was enrolled at Laughlin School in kindergarten. Then went back to Laughlin to finish out 2nd grade after I moved to Madison. She would invite me to come do a program for her Senior Group at Stokesdale Untied Methodist Church. She wrote an article for my first book " Do you want to take her home?'. Your family are in my thoughts and prayers. Doneen

Doneen Key - December 27, 2020 at 04:19 PM

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“ My sincerest sympathy to all the family. Mrs. Joyce will always hold a special place in my heart. A truly remarkable lady who gave so much to her community. She will be missed.



**Pam Simpson** - December 27, 2020 at 12:34 PM

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“ Sorry to hear of Peggy's passing. She was one of the sweetest ladys I have ever known. She will be missed dearly.



**Brandon and Abby Sharon** - December 26, 2020 at 03:35 PM

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“ A most wonderful first grade teacher! SO sorry to learn of her passing. My tender prayers go out to her family and her community.

**Jacqueline Combs** - December 26, 2020 at 01:53 PM

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“ Miss Peggy was the most thoughtful, kind and generous woman! She was always doing things for others and much of the time they didn't even know it. Prayers for Jan and her family. You can rest easy, now sweet Miss Peggy.



**Lisa Gauldin Pegram** - December 24, 2020 at 04:02 PM



“ A beautiful soul who was so special to the Sharon family. We all have so much love and admiration for this lady who was always there for us. Heaven has gained a special angel. I know she, Jesse, Daddy Bill & Frankie are all having a glorious Christmas together!

**Gail Sharon** - December 25, 2020 at 11:19 PM

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“ Janet Price lit a candle in memory of Peggy Brewer Joyce



**Janet Price** - December 24, 2020 at 12:50 PM



“ Sending sympathy and prayers in memory of this very special lady.

**Janet** - December 24, 2020 at 12:50 PM

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“ I guess I have known Mrs Joyce all my life. One of sweets lady I had to pleasure of knowing. Her Easter eggs are legendary. My thoughts and prayers are with Jay and Jan during time. Prayers peace and comfort.

**sheila dunlap** - December 24, 2020 at 09:03 AM

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“ Cathey Wilson Justice-Dunlap lit a candle in memory of Peggy Brewer Joyce



**Cathey Wilson Justice-Dunlap** - December 24, 2020 at 08:39 AM



“ I have loved this sweet lady for many years. She was so nice and she loved my Mama. Prayers for the family.

**Peggy Kallam** - December 24, 2020 at 03:26 PM

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“ Our prayers go out to Jan and her family during this sad time. I met your sweet mother at the jewelry store one day, and of course I remember seeing her visit her grandchildren when you lived near us. Prayers for peace!  
-Judy & Doug Burroughs

**Judy Wall Burroughs** - December 23, 2020 at 12:32 PM



“ Peggy was a very special member of our UMW group and we will miss her. She always hosted us at the Lake in June and had everyone to share a special life experience. We loved her.

**Pat Gentry** - December 24, 2020 at 10:25 AM

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“ MY THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH EACH OF YOU DURING THIS TIME OF LOSS OF YOUR LOVED ONE. PEGGY WAS MY FIRST GRADE TEACHER- SHE PUT ME ON THE RIGHT TRACK FOR THE REST OF MY YEARS. SHE WAS ALSO A GREAT PRINCIPAL THAT CARED ABOUT EACH STUDENT.-  
BERNARDINE FULP PREVETTE



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“ Barbara lit a candle in memory of Peggy Brewer Joyce



**Barbara** - December 23, 2020 at 12:08 AM



“ To Jan and Jay and their families I was shocked and so sad to learn that your Mom is no longer with us. She was a wonderful lady and a good friend.I will treasure my memories of all the good times we had together and our journey planning, raising the money and building the Veterans Monument for the Town of Stokesdale.With prayers and sympathy and love, Barbara

**Barbara** - December 23, 2020 at 12:21 AM



“ I worked at Laughlin Primary when public kindergarten began in 1973. Mrs Joyce was a very fair individual and I enjoyed the years I worked with her. She was a lovely lady.

**Ruth Lamb** - December 23, 2020 at 11:14 AM



“ Mrs. Joyce was an awesome lady,mother, grandmother and teacher. She will be truly missed. May God bless the Joyce family.

**Rene** - December 24, 2020 at 10:30 AM



“ Such a sweet lady. Peggy's smile was always genuine and her love abundant. I am glad I had a chance to know her. My prayers for the family.

**Rev. Claudia Harrelson** - December 24, 2020 at 01:14 PM



“ It is with sadness that I extend my sympathy to you. I first met Mrs.Joyce when she taught my children in first grade.She visited my Mother often as long as Mom lived. A few years ago I began attending Stokesdale UMC. Peggy befriended me,the only person who asked me to attend Sunday School. We became "best buddies" often attending church events and going out to eat. Can't help but chuckle when I remember the time we attended the wrong reunion. Then Countryside..the last time I visited her,she asked me to please come back soon..the lock in.. so with a heavy heart and a lot of love,I bid her farewell. Mahalia

**Mahalia McGee** - December 24, 2020 at 03:08 PM