



Grace "Gee" Fruit

May 26, 1941 - April 28, 2016

Murrells Inlet, SC

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Mrs. Grace "Gee" Fruit, age 74, of Murrells Inlet, SC passed away Thursday, April 28, 2016 at the Medical University of South Carolina in Charleston, SC. Born in Louisburg, NC, Mrs. Fruit was the daughter of the late John and Hazel Tucker of Virginia Beach, VA.

Survivors include her loving husband, Bill Fruit; children, Jean Moyer, Chesapeake, VA; Grace "Betsy" Fruit, Cornelius, NC; William "Bill" Fruit, Jr., Chesapeake, VA; sisters and brother, Claudette Barnes, Virginia Beach, VA; Hazel Horton, San Diego, CA; John A. Tucker, Virginia Beach, VA; 2 grandchildren.

A private memorial service will be held.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to The Salvation Army, PO Box 500, Conway, SC 29528 or www.salvationarmy.org

Sign an online guestbook at www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com/obituaries

Goldfinch Funeral Home, Murrells Inlet, SC is in charge of arrangements.

Tribute Wall

DS

“Gee was always a "ray of sunshine" when she lived in Kitty Hawk Landing. Great laugh, GREAT parties and both she and Bill were great assets to the town of Kitty Hawk.. Our thoughts and prayers are with Bill and all of the family. She will be missed.

*Dotti & Jon Summerton
Kitty Hawk, NC*

dotti & Jon Summerton - May 16, 2016 at 10:43 AM

JB

“Bill and family, so sad and shocked to hear of Gee's passing. Worked at first with Gee at KJHS and Bebe and I saw Gee and Bill often over the years till they moved to Florida. What a wonderful person and friend. Know that we are thinking of you and the family. Concentrate not on what you have lost, but the great memories you have.

Jim Breckenridge - May 11, 2016 at 02:55 PM

ST

“Gee was a special lady and wonderful teacher that shared her talents with all. She gave so much to Kempsville and the community. As a teacher there, she never failed to bring a laugh or a smile. I had not seen her in years but thought of her giving heart often. Thinking of the family in their loss.

Sarah Taylor - May 02, 2016 at 05:49 AM

SW

“ I am so very sorry for your loss. I worked with Gee at KJHS. She was a mentor to my son, who was an art student. She recognized that he had a gift and encouraged him to follow through. She was a wonderful teacher and a very special person. She added humor to our days at school. She was sweet, kind, patient and I will always remember her with a smile on her face. In fact, I can still hear her laugh....Rest in peace Gee.

Shirley Welch

Shirley Welch - May 01, 2016 at 07:15 PM

NW

“ My husband and I met in her 8th grade art class 26 years ago. She was such an inspiration and sparked a life of leadership for us both. We are so saddened by the news and are deeply sorry for your loss. We always have said that Ms. Fruit knew we would get married before we did. She was unassumingly wise. All our love. -
Nisha and Trey Wilson

Nisha Wilson - May 01, 2016 at 06:34 PM

EN

“ I am so sorry for your loss. I had the privilege to teach Shep long ago. Gee was a mentor, sister and dear friend during our days at K JH. *Libby Boykin Newswanger*

elizabeth newswanger - May 01, 2016 at 03:13 PM

BS

“Gee was a wonderful neighbor at Kitty Hawk Landing, we missed her at the luncheons, when they moved from Kitty Hawk where she was loved for so long, she had so many friends here.
Barbara Sellew

Barbara Sellew - May 01, 2016 at 10:58 AM

BS

“gee was the glue that held our class together....we all loved her dearly and depended on her to keep us informed....we love her family...we loved her sweetness.....her fun loving spirit....her loyalty and love for all of us.....this is a very sad time for eel your loss as it is our loss also....our prayers and thoughts are with all of you.....Brenda Clark and Alan Stein

brenda clark stein - May 01, 2016 at 10:48 AM

VB

“Gee was sweet, gentle, loving, gracious and the personification of a true Southern lady. I know how deeply you loved each other. Bill, I pray for God to comfort you and your family and help you through this.

Virginia Burns - April 30, 2016 at 09:26 PM

GB

“ *Bill and family,*

We were so sorry to hear of Gee's passing. We remember her has a fun-loving person. She will be missed.

*Bob & Gina Benthin
Dowdy Lane
Kitty Hawk*

Gina Benthin - April 30, 2016 at 08:11 PM

BC

“ *Hoping our prayers, and prayers of many friends and loved ones surround you and your family with some peace and comfort as you experience so much grief for the loss of a wonderful loving wife, mom and grandmother. We have so many wonderful memories of Gee who always added so much energy, fun and excitement to everything in which she was involved. She was a beautiful and good woman and friend. God bless all of you.*

Bev and Al Chambers - April 30, 2016 at 07:32 PM

AS

“ *I will always have wonderful memories of Gee from VBHS. We cheered together, double dated, worked together in the summer and in general shared great times. May God be with your entire family at this time and may the treasured memories always be foremost in your mind and comfort you.*

*Love,
Alice Snellings Shoemaker*

Alice Shoemaker - April 30, 2016 at 04:05 PM

TC

“ Bill, words can not begin to express the sadness that has fallen over and felt by all of your friends in Section 106 and the Booster Club. This day the cowbells will ring silent...but the game will continue and the "eternal seat" will be forever there for our dear "Gee". But for now she is in that "sky box suite" looking down and cheering louder than ever,,, "Let's Go Stone Crabs"....May God bless you Grace Fruit!

The Stone Crabs Booster Club - April 30, 2016 at 02:09 PM

BH

“ Dear Bill & Family, I am so sorry to read of Gee's passing. Know that my prayers are for you to find peace and comfort at this time.
Sincerely Brenda Hood

Brenda Hood - April 30, 2016 at 12:08 PM

SS

“ I so well remember Grace from Princess Anne High School, where she taught Art! I was not one of her Art students but hung out with several pals who were-we teenage boys thought she resembled Natalie Wood, probably all had crushes on her! Remember when she married her real True Love Bill-we were thrilled to see her find such happiness! Bill, I will hold you and your Family "in the light"!
Steve Siegfried(PAHS, Class of 1964)

Steve Siegfried - April 30, 2016 at 11:55 AM

JH

“ *The most enjoyment I had teaching was the years Gee and I worked as co-sponsors for the SCA at KJH. She gave me the opportunity to work with students outside the classroom that I would never had the enjoyment to know. She was a great friend and mentor. I will cherish her memory with fondness forever. My deepest condolences to Bill and the family for your loss.*

Jim Richards

James Richards - April 30, 2016 at 09:58 AM

PR

“ *My heart is broken! So many loved Gee! Bill, everyone knows that you were the love of Gee's life, and I will keep you all in my prayers as you and your children and grandchildren suffer through this tragic loss. My sincerest condolences to her Tucker family members; Gee loved them so very much and was so happy when she could be with them. I was blessed for having known Gee. Love and prayers for your family!*

Penny Reynolds

Penny Reynolds - April 30, 2016 at 08:41 AM

PA

I had the pleasure of working with Gee at KJHS/Middle and every time I think of her it pits a smile on my face. She was a wonderful lady with a awesome personality. I still have all the beautiful seashell ornaments she made and gave to me every Christmas and still hang them every year. So sorry for you loss. Phyllis McClain Arth

Phyllis McClain Arth - May 02, 2016 at 03:21 PM

JM

“ A beautiful soul has left us with memories of her love and generosity. We have so many wonderful recollections of our lives together on the Outer Banks of NC. Along with her wonderful husband, Bill, we were all so close and experienced so many things together.

Jo & Ray Mattes, Norfolk

Jo & Ray Mattes - April 30, 2016 at 08:38 AM

DT

“ I am so sorry to hear about Gee's passing. She was a truly amazing woman. I will never forget her. Peace of Christ be with you and your family Bill.

Donna Trivette

Donna Trivette - April 30, 2016 at 06:20 AM