



Juanita Lewis

May 27, 1925 - November 30, 2011

Conway, SC...Dr. Alice Juanita "Nita" Lewis, PhD, age 86, died Wednesday, November 30, 2011 at Kingston Nursing Center.

Dr. Alice Juanita "Nita" Lewis was born in Hillsboro, Texas in 1925. She was the daughter of Hugh and Otis Hazel (Kuykendall) Lewis. Dr. Lewis received her undergraduate degree from West Texas State University in 1955 and completed her graduate studies at the State University of Iowa in 1959; receiving her PhD in Elementary Education. She spent the next 23 years on the faculty of the University of Northern Colorado (UNC). She specialized in Early Childhood Development; and her many scholarly achievements included being the Senior Author in the Department of Early Childhood for Houghton Mifflin Publishing Company. While working with Houghton Mifflin she authored 14 books. When she retired in 1982, she was the Chairman of Early Childhood Studies at UNC. Nita was a resident of Horry County, SC since 1996 moving from Greeley, CO. Dr. Lewis was preceded in death by her parents, her brother, Don Lewis, and sister, Jane Clay.

Survivors include her niece, Donnita (Clay) Thrash and her husband Charles Thrash of Horry County, grand nephew, Kyle Thrash and his wife Teddi (Davis) Thrash of Columbia, SC, and a grand niece, Alison (Thrash) McKee and her husband Andrew McKee of Horry County and Cairns, Australia.

Interment will be in Andrews, TX at a later date.

Memorials may be sent to a charity of one's choice.

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Goldfinch Funeral Home, Conway Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

Tribute Wall



“ You failed to mention that she also had another niece, Professor Debra Lewis Stockdale of Tennessee and two great nephews, Wyatt Lewis Stockdale and Mitchell James Stockdale.

Debbie Stockdale - March 06, 2021 at 07:02 AM

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“ I was a student of Dr. Lewis for my undergrad and grad work at UNC in the early 60's. I admired her very much. She was such a positive influence in my life. I became a teacher and am now retired after 32 years of teaching second graders. Dr. Lewis was a very special person and teacher. I'm glad she got to move closer to her family.

Sincerely,
Penny Cole Thompson

Penelope L. Thompson - December 03, 2011 at 11:18 PM

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“ Hi. I'm Dolores McManus and I'm a volunteer at Kingston Nursing Home where I met Juanita. I have enjoyed her company. We had alot of laughs and she got to enjoy a piece of my Welsh Pork Cake (fruit cake). I am very sorry. She was special and I loved her.

Dolores McManus - December 02, 2011 at 03:47 PM

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“ I remember Juanita as a teacher and later had the privilege of working with her and that association became a friendship. I missed her greatly when she moved to South Carolina but I am happy she was able to spend her last years with her family that meant so much to her. Please accept my sympathy Donita . Sincerely, Kathy Tegtman

Katherine Tegtman - December 02, 2011 at 12:07 PM