



## Karen Ponder

September 12, 1946 - August 25, 2011

Loris... Karen Gail Ponder, age 64, went home to be with the Lord on Thursday, August 25, 2011.

Mrs. Ponder was born September 12, 1946 in Asheville, NC a daughter of the late Willie A. Ballard and the late Ida Dungey. She was a loving and devoted wife, mother, Nanny, and friend. She faithfully served the Lord and her church and was a friend to all who knew her. Mrs. Ponder was a member of Forest Lawn Baptist Church in Tabor City, NC. She was predeceased by a sister, Dottie Sluder.

Survivors include her husband, Rev. Jim Ponder of Loris, one daughter, Missy P. Sutton and her husband Darin of Myrtle Beach, one son, Jamie G. Ponder and his wife Marsha K. of Conway, three grandchildren, Ansley Taylor Sutton and Connor James Sutton both of Myrtle Beach, and Elaina Kathryn Ponder of Conway, one nephew, Ricky Sluder, and one niece, Sheila Bell both of Weaverville, NC.

The family will receive friends Friday, August 26, 2011 from 6-8 PM at Goldfinch Funeral Home, Loris Chapel.

Funeral services will be held at 2:00 PM Saturday, August 27, 2011 from the Forest Lawn Baptist Church with Rev. Roger Black and Rev. Kenny Todd

officiating. Entombment will follow in the Hillcrest Mausoleum.

Memorials may be made to Forest Lawn Baptist Church, P.O. Box 596, Tabor City, NC 28463.

Please sign a guestbook at [goldfinchfuneralhome.com](http://goldfinchfuneralhome.com)

Goldfinch Funeral Home, Loris Chapel, is serving the family.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG **26**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Goldfinch Funeral Home, Loris Chapel  
1011 Highway 9 Business East  
Loris, SC 29569  
(843) 756-9273  
info@goldfinchfuneralhome.com  
<https://www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com>

## Service

AUG **27**. 2:00 PM (ET)

Forest Lawn Baptist Church  
PO Box 596  
Tabor City, NC 28463

# Tribute Wall



“ Goldfinch Funeral Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Karen Ponder



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**Goldfinch Funeral Home** - August 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

EB

“ Eddy & Gail Barton lit a candle in memory of Karen Ponder



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**Eddy & Gail Barton** - August 29, 2011 at 01:58 AM

EB

*Dear Jim, Missy, Darrin, Jamie & Marsha, & Family. We pray the Holy Spirit will wrap his arms around you and will be your strength in the coming days. We cherish the Sweetwater days, and all the wonderful times we had in the Lord.*

*Love & Prayers, Eddy & Gail Barton*

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**Eddy & Gail Barton** - August 29, 2011 at 02:07 AM

KP

“ *To The Ponder Family*

*Our deepest sympathy to you in the loss of Kay. I remember good times with Kay as we were getting ready for a beautiful granddaughter before birth and while she was being born. We were so excited during this time.*

*Tom and Kathy Poling*

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**Kathy Poling** - August 28, 2011 at 01:16 PM

CM

“ *Jim, Missy, Jamie and Families,*

*Our deepest sympathy in the loss of Kay. Our thoughts and prayers are with you for God's comforting presence.*

*Nancy Browning, Laura and Cheryl*

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**Cheryl Browning Morris** - August 27, 2011 at 09:49 AM

LF

“ *Jim, Missy And Jamie,*

*My thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. I want to Thank you for allowing me to be a part of your lives. Kay was a wonderful person. She made my life better by knowing her. I'm so sorry that I can't be there for you in your time of need. I love all of you. God Bless youall and keep you. Larry Flook and Family*

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**Larry Flook** - August 27, 2011 at 08:51 AM

WP

“ *Kaye was a lovely lady in so many ways. My thoughts and prayers are with all the family. Aunt Myrtle and Aunt Mae also send their condolences.*

*Wilma Roberts Penland*

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**Wilma Roberts Penland** - August 26, 2011 at 08:37 PM

SP

“ *Dear Jimmy, Missy and Jamie,*

*I was sorry to hear of Kay's passing. My thoughts go back many years to the first time I met Kay. She was a such a special and beautiful person with a immeasurable love for her husband and family. I remember the times we all got together as a family to visit and for holidays. I always enjoyed being around her and can still hear her laugh! We lost touch through the years, but I recall one time she told me that I "would always be a sister" to her. In my heart I have felt the same way.*

*I pray that God will give you his comfort and peace during this difficult time. We know he will. Thinking of you as I often do.*

*Love,  
Sue Ponder*

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**Sue Ponder** - August 26, 2011 at 05:06 PM

DH

“ *Dotti Ray Haggerty lit a candle in memory of Karen Ponder*



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**Dotti Ray Haggerty** - August 26, 2011 at 04:19 PM

TY

“ I am truly sorry for your loss. I know that the loss of those whom we love can be the greatest trial we will ever face. However thanks to God through Christ we have a wonderful hope for the future. "The hour is coming in which all those in the memorial tombs will hear the voice of Christ and come out." (John 5:28,29 Acts 24:15) Yes, we have the wonderful hope of seeing our loved ones again, and the life to be enjoyed when this takes place will truly be wonderful. (Revelation 21:3,4)

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**Ty** - August 26, 2011 at 01:55 PM

WW

“ *Preacher Jim and Family*  
You and Mrs. Kay meant so much to our family. We were saddened to hear of Mrs. Kay's passing but you are in our prayers. May God keep you in the palm of his hand as you walk through this dark valley. There is light on the other side. We'll miss Mrs. Kay ever present smile.  
Wayne and Connie Williams - Longs, S.C.

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**Wayne Williams** - August 26, 2011 at 11:55 AM

CT

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you Missy and your family during this difficult time. God bless.

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**Camille Thompson** - August 26, 2011 at 11:52 AM

CY

“ Sorry to hear of the family loss. I remember Kay from grade school, high school and church. She and I were in the class of 1964 at North Buncombe High. Heartfelt condolences to all the family.  
Clarence Young

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**Clarence Young** - August 26, 2011 at 11:13 AM

CL

“ *Jamie, my heart and prayers goes out to you and your family. My God spread his arms open and hold the family in this time of need.*

*Come to Me, all you who are weary and weighed down with heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you, and learn from Me; for I am gentle and humble in spirit. Indeed, you will surely find rest in Me! My yoke is easy, and My burden is light. (Matthew 11:28-30)*

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**Connie Lewis** - August 26, 2011 at 08:56 AM

AR

“ *Kay was such a sweet and loving person and a beautiful Christian and I was really blessed by knowing her. My thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. Love, Anne Roof*

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**Anne Roof** - August 26, 2011 at 08:46 AM

CL

“ *Connie Lewis lit a candle in memory of Karen Ponder*



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**Connie Lewis** - August 26, 2011 at 08:43 AM

VH

“ *Virginia H. Harrelson lit a candle in memory of Karen Ponder*



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**Virginia H. Harrelson** - August 25, 2011 at 07:20 PM

VH

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you during this time of sorrow. May God comfort you today and the days ahead. Kaye was a very sweet and loving person. My heart goes out to each of you.

Virginia H. Harrelson - August 25, 2011 at 07:18 PM

AB

“ I remember so many good times in high school with Kay and Jim. I remember a trip to Raleigh with FHA and that was probably when I got to know Kay so well. My prayers are with your family because I know what a special person you have lost. Love to all of you.  
Ann Holcombe Boyd

Ann Holcombe Boyd - August 25, 2011 at 07:06 PM

FS

“ Karen we love you. Our prayers and thoughts are with your family



Felton and Mary Stephens - August 25, 2011 at 06:55 PM

DS

“ David, Stephanie Faircloth And Sons lit a candle in memory of Karen Ponder



David, Stephanie Faircloth and Sons - August 25, 2011 at 06:02 PM