



Ruth Anderson

May 29, 1911 - July 4, 2012

Conway...Ruth Page Anderson, 101, widow of Thurman W. Anderson, Sr., died July 4, 2012 at Kingston Nursing Center.

Mrs. Anderson was born in Galivants Ferry on May 29, 1911. She was a daughter of the late Eddie Walker and Lilly Sarvis Page. The Page family moved to Aynor in 1916, where Mrs. Anderson attended Zion Elementary and Aynor Elementary Schools, and graduated from Aynor High School. Mrs. Anderson attended Columbia College and was in the class of 1933. The next year she married Thurman Anderson, former Superintendent of Horry County Schools. They spent most of their married life in Conway and celebrated their 62nd wedding anniversary prior to his death in 1996. She taught school for 28 years, primarily at Horry Elementary and Homewood Elementary Schools and retired in 1974. The Andersons joined First United Methodist Church of Conway one week after their marriage. Mrs. Anderson taught Sunday School, served as director of the Youth Intermediate Department, chaired the worship committee and was active in the United Methodist Women as a member of the Sadie Walsh Circle. She was also a member of the Emma Thompson Sunday School Class. In the late 70's, she and her husband were named "Mr. and Mrs. Methodist." Mrs. Anderson was active in the Conway Garden Club and the Conway Lioness Club. She was a member of Conway/Horry County Chapters of the Daughters of the American Revolution and the United Daughters of the Confederacy. Mrs. Anderson was preceded in death by her daughter, Margaret Anderson Ellison.

Surviving are two sons, Thurman W. Anderson, Jr. (Joanne) of Spartanburg, SC and Richard P. Anderson (Nancy) of Conway, SC; seven grandchildren, Cheri (Stacey) Beeler and Scott (Tiffany) Anderson both of Spartanburg, SC, Keith (Tina) Anderson and Brian Anderson both of Conway, Craig Anderson of Sumter, SC, Josh (Shannon) Ellison of Surfside Beach, SC, and Kirk (Morgan) Ellison of Pelham, AL; and seven great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held 11:00 AM Saturday at First United Methodist Church with Rev. Kyle Randle and Rev. Carl Harris officiating. Burial will follow in Hillcrest Cemetery.

The family will receive friends at the church from 10-11 AM Saturday.

Memorials may be sent to Thurman W. Anderson Scholarship Fund, First United Methodist Church, 1001 5th Avenue, Conway, SC 29526.

Sign a guestbook at www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com

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

Cemetery Details

Hillcrest Cemetery

1000 Hwy 544
Conway, SC 29526
(843) 347-4909
<https://www.hillcrestcemetery.com/>

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 7. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

First United Methodist Church of Conway
1001 5th Avenue
Conway, SC 29526
<http://www.fumcconway.org/>

Service

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Tribute Wall

BT

“ *I have such precious memories of Mrs. Anderson. God was good to so many people through her influence!*

Bill Thomas

Bill and Betsy Thomas - July 14, 2012 at 08:19 PM

RB

“ *Dear Thurman,*

It was a pleasure to serve as your mother's pastor for 3 years at First Church! She was a delightful person to know and visit--and such a faithful church member. Laura's and my prayers are with you and the family in your time of loss. May God grant you peace, and even joy, as you celebrate the many wonderful memories!

In Christian Sympathy,

Rev. Ben L. Barnett

Rev. Ben L. Barnett - July 09, 2012 at 11:15 AM

RW

“ *Thurman, please accept my late condolence. May God's grace continue to be with you.*

Jim Williams

Rev. James H. Williams - July 09, 2012 at 10:42 AM

RT

“ *My gratitude to God for a life well lived, and my sympathy to the family in your grief.*
Regi Thackston

Reginald Thackston - July 07, 2012 at 06:35 PM

SR

“ *Richard and Thurman: Thank you for letting Ruth be part of the Kingston Nursing Center Family. She was a beautiful Woman with a big heart. Our deepest condolences goes to the family. Our 'Baby Ruth' will hold a special place in our hearts, on Ocean Blvd, at Kingston Nursing Center. 'Baby Ruth' you will never be forgotten, we love you.*

Stephanie Rojas and the Ocean Blvd Staff

Stephanie Rojas - July 07, 2012 at 06:28 PM

DH

“ *Richard and family,*
I thoroughly enjoyed getting reacquainted with Ms. Ruth in the last several years while visiting with my mom at the Place. As my 3rd grade teacher, Ms. Ruth was able to recall more memories from that time period than I could - even calling the names of several of my closest friends at the time. I remember her dedication to the students and concern for our welfare. She was a very gracious lady. May God provide comfort for you in the coming days.
Dean Hudson

Dean Hudson - July 07, 2012 at 06:48 AM

EH

“ Ruth has been a tremendous influence in my spiritual life. She was a truly, dear loving friend and she will always be in my heart.



Edith Hucks - July 06, 2012 at 01:03 PM

JH

“ This was my teacher at Homewood Elementary School 47 years ago.. she was the sweetest teacher ever!! May you rest in peace..



Jessi Hucks - July 06, 2012 at 06:46 AM

RS

“ Richard & Joyce Strawhorn lit a candle in memory of Ruth Anderson



Richard & Joyce Strawhorn - July 05, 2012 at 08:12 PM

DD

“ Dorothy Jordan Dunn lit a candle in memory of Ruth Anderson



Dorothy Jordan Dunn - July 05, 2012 at 07:39 PM

AR

“ 2 files added to the album *Photos & Videos*



Anne Roof - July 05, 2012 at 04:40 PM

DT

Mrs. A, You and Mr. A always seemed to have patience with me when I probably didn't deserve it. Thank you and Rest in peace.
Dan

Dan Thomas - July 06, 2012 at 06:52 AM

NS

Richard, thinking of you and your family.

Norma Cooler, Port Royal, SC - July 07, 2012 at 04:43 AM