



## Mrs. Barbara Funderburk Johnson

November 2, 1941 - December 12, 2023

It is with deep sorrow that Mrs. Cynthia Johnson "Cindy" Smith and her family announce the death of her beloved mother, Mrs. Barbara Funderburk Johnson, 82.

Mrs. Johnson, the widow of Pee Dee "Dicky" Johnson, entered into rest on Tuesday, December 12, 2023. The Directors of Brown-Pennington-Atkins Funeral Home & Crematory are caring for the family.

A funeral service to honor her life will be held at 2 o'clock on Tuesday, December 19, 2023, in North Hartsville Baptist Church. The Rev. Ladell Humphries will officiate with burial to follow in Westview Memorial Park Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 5:00 until 7:00 pm on Monday, December 18, 2023, at the Brown-Pennington-Atkins Funeral Home.

Memorials may be made in her honor to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

Mrs. Johnson was born in Darlington County, SC, on November 2, 1941. She was the daughter of the late Alexander Funderburk and the late Etta Jones Funderburk. She was the middle child, born third out of five kids to her parents. Barbara, or Bobby, as she was referred to by her parents and siblings, was strong, wheeled from the get-go, and always had a fast comeback! She has

shared a special bond with her mother throughout her entire life. She was known as the rock of the family for her siblings. Loving all of her sisters and her one brother was always easy for Bobby, but she shared a special love for her baby sister, Brenda. Bobby often referred to Brenda as one of her best friends!

Bobby grew up on the North side of Hartsville and was very much her sibling's keeper. If you messed with them, you were messing with her. Bobby married PeeDee "Dicky" Johnson in 1959, and they were blessed with a daughter, Cynthia Ann. Barbara had lots of jobs, including driving as an escort with her husband for Vulcraft. But her favorite job was being a Momma. Barbara's name would change one more when she became a "Ma Ma."

Cynthia and her husband, Eddie Smith, gave Pee Dee and Barbara three granddaughters: April, Jennifer, and Magan. Bobby loved all her girls with her whole heart. As the matriarch of her family, she was known for hosting family dinners and was used to hearing, "Hey Ma Ma, what are you cooking today?" from all her grandkids. She became a "Ma Ma" to many kids throughout the years, But she was also blessed with four great-grandchildren. She would always say she was biased, but those four kids were the most beautiful children God had ever put on this planet. Blazlea, Avery, Abby, and Cooper held a special place in her heart, and she would light up every time she saw them.

Bobby was a woman who loved God and her family, but she was so much more than that; she was funny with her comebacks, and she was loyal, strong, and tough! She was our rock! She was a daughter, a sister, a wife, and the Greatest Mother and Mama ever! Barbara went to celebrate Christmas in heaven with her husband and Parents on December 12th.

Left to cherish her memory are her daughter, Cynthia Johnson "Cindy" Smith

(Eddie Smith); granddaughters, April Smith, Jennifer Smith Griggs (Clayton Griggs), Magan Smith Gardener (Willie Gardner), and Nicole Barefoot; four great-grandchildren, Blazlea Donahue, Avery Smith, Abby Gardener, and Cooper Griggs; siblings, Mary-Lou (George) Miller, Brenda (Jerry) Harris, Alexander "Buddy" (Peggy) R. Funderburk.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 57 years, Pee Dee "Dicky" Johnson; her parents, Etta and Alexander Funderburk; her beloved grandmother, Mary Grooms; sister, Betty Jean Jackson; mother-in-law, Ivory Larymore Johnson; and her special friends, Elise Byrd, and Diane Dazell.

# Cemetery Details

## Westview Memorial Park Cemetery

2223 Kelleytown Road  
Hartsville, SC 29550  
info@bpafuneralhome.com

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 18. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Brown Pennington Atkins Funeral Home  
306 West Home Avenue  
Hartsville, SC 29550  
info@bpafuneralhome.com  
<http://www.bpafuneralhome.com>

## Funeral Service

DEC 19. 2:00 PM (ET)

North Hartsville Baptist Church  
1117 Patrick Hwy  
Hartsville, SC

# Tribute Wall

RS

“ *Rebecca Skinner lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Barbara Funderburk Johnson*



Rebecca Skinner - February 07, 2024 at 12:11 AM

SF

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with family during this difficult time. Mrs. Barbara will be missed.*

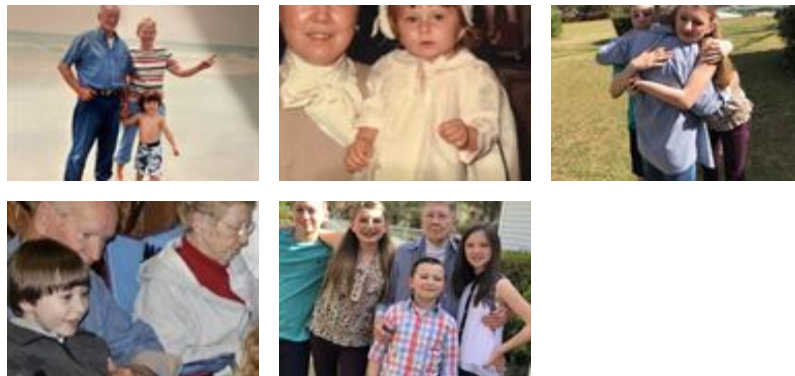


*Steve and Gail Funderburk*

Steve Funderburk - December 20, 2023 at 01:47 PM



“ *63 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Brown-Pennington-Atkins Funeral Home - December 18, 2023 at 10:12 AM

PB

“ *Phyllis Driggers Braddock sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Barbara Funderburk Johnson*



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**Phyllis Driggers Braddock** - December 17, 2023 at 07:47 PM

HL

“ *Sending prayers for the family.*



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**Hollie Lee** - December 16, 2023 at 04:35 PM

CJ

“ *Chris Johnson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Barbara Funderburk Johnson*



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**Chris Johnson** - December 16, 2023 at 02:59 PM

EW

“ *Edna Warr lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Barbara Funderburk Johnson*



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**Edna Warr** - December 16, 2023 at 08:47 AM

EW

*Cindy and family, my thoughts and prayers are with all of you . May God wrap His loving arms around each of you. Hold tight to one another and all your loving memories* 💕🙏🏻🙏🏻

**Edna Warr** - December 16, 2023 at 08:50 AM

DT

“ *Thinking of you Cindy and sending many hugs and prayers your way.*  
*Dana Munn Tiller*



**Dana Munn Tiller** - December 15, 2023 at 12:28 PM

JG

“ *Sending love and prayers for my family! I have so many beautiful memories of Bobby!*



**Jerri Gaaney** - December 15, 2023 at 08:19 AM



“ *Mary Beth Carter Bennett lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Barbara Funderburk Johnson*



**Mary Beth Carter Bennett** - December 15, 2023 at 07:31 AM

SK

“ *Susan Keith lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Barbara Funderburk Johnson*



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**Susan Keith** - December 15, 2023 at 12:38 AM

SK

*Cindy, Eddie, and all of the family, so sorry for your loss, sending prayers and love to you all.*

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**Susan Keith** - December 15, 2023 at 12:44 AM

SC

“ *Such a sweet always smiling woman will be missed, Prayers for Cindy and family through this time and grief as I will hold onto my memories of her as she as I remember always had the cleanest house on the block and taught me well as I remember her waxing her floors and they were as shiny as glass and loved her cooking and we used to love to spend the night with Cindy so I pray for this family during this trying time Amen*

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**sharon Dadswell Catoe** - December 14, 2023 at 08:44 PM

LN

“ *My prayers will lift her family for comfort. Many fond memories of her & her mother as they visited the bank for many years.*

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**Lynn Newsom** - December 14, 2023 at 08:20 PM

KN

“ *Kathy Norris lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Barbara Funderburk Johnson*



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**Kathy Norris** - December 14, 2023 at 07:43 PM

ES

“ *Cindy, Eddie, April, Jennifer & Meagan I am so sorry for your loss. I will have each of you in my thoughts and prayers through this time. May God wrap his comforting arm around you and give you peace and comfort.. I love you all . Ma Barbara was a Angel on earth.. Now she is singing in the Angels choir in Heaven. Cherish the memories*



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**Elizabeth Darlene Smith** - December 14, 2023 at 04:11 PM