



## Mrs. Connie Coker Powell

October 18, 1947 - September 9, 2014

Funeral services for Connie Coker Powell, 66, will be held at 2:00 p.m. Friday, September 12, 2014 at St. Luke United Methodist Church.

The Rev. Gene Feagin will officiate and the burial will be at 2:00 p.m.

Saturday, September 13, 2014 in Wood Memorial Park, Duncan, SC. The family will receive friends from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. Thursday at Brown-Pennington-Atkins Funeral Home and also following the service at the church.

Connie passed away Tuesday, September 9, 2014 after a long battle with a rare muscle disease. Born in Spartanburg, SC, she was the daughter of Ted W. Coker and the late Genelle McBee Coker. She graduated from Sprayberry High School and received a business degree from Massey Junior College.

Connie worked in various banks in the southeast since 1970 and retired as a Manager with Bank of America. She was also an active member of St. Luke United Methodist Church, an active member in the Club Colony Garden Club, a member of the Front Porch Book Club, and participated in the Hartsville Newcomers Club for a number of years. Connie loved to garden, read, decorate, redecorate, travel worldwide, and spend time at the beach.

Surviving are her husband of 47 years, Russell Powell of Hartsville, SC; son, Chad Powell of Lyman, SC, father of Charleston, SC; sister, Susan Coker Cothran of Charleston, SC. She was predeceased by her son, Collin Powell. She will be sadly missed by her various nieces, nephews, and sisters-in-law; Ian Burrell, Lorna Burrell, Kaitlyn Burrell, Legina Conley, Ted R. Cothran, and Lisa Powell. Connie has personal friends stretching across the United States.

The family asks for memorial funds to be donated to the Youth Program at St. Luke United Methodist Church, 302 Dunlap Ave., Hartsville, SC. In lieu of flowers, please give to the church. Loving thanks to Connie Powell's caregivers, Bessie Muldrow and Haley Baker and the staff at the Medical University of South Carolina.

Do not stand at my grave and weep  
I am not there. I do not sleep.  
I am a thousand winds that blow.  
I am the diamond glints on snow.  
I am the sunlight on ripened grain.  
I am the gentle autumn rain.  
When you awaken in the morning's hush  
I am the swift uplifting rush  
Of quiet birds in circled flight.  
I am the soft stars that shine at night.  
Do not stand at my grave and cry;  
I am not there. I did not die.

-Mary Elizabeth Frye, 1932

Dearest Connie, you will forever stand strong in the hearts that survive you.

# Cemetery Details

## Wood Memorial Park

863 Gap Creek Rd  
Duncan, SC 29334

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 11. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Brown-Pennington-Atkins Funeral Home  
306 W. Home Ave.  
Hartsville, SC 29550  
(843) 332-6531  
[info@bpafuneralhome.com](mailto:info@bpafuneralhome.com)  
<http://www.bpafuneralhome.com>

## Service

SEP 12. 2:00 PM (ET)

St. Luke Methodist Church  
302 Dunlap Dr.  
Hartsville, SC

# Tribute Wall

GB

“ *Gail Bowen lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Connie Coker Powell*



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**Gail Bowen** - January 26, 2015 at 07:45 AM

BB

“ *so sorry for your loss-our thoughts and prayers are with your family*

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**bobby and violet bragdon** - September 20, 2014 at 06:11 PM

RS

“ *So sorry to learn of connie's passing. I have fond memories of working on various events with her at St. Luke and seeing her at the bank. Each of you are in my thoughts and prayers.*

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**Rebecca Skinner** - September 15, 2014 at 12:30 AM

CS

“ *Chad,*

*You & your family are in our thoughts & prayers. We hope that all of the fun memories will help y'all remember all of the good times with Connie.*

*Sincerely,*

*Renee, Avery & Charlie Smith  
Dunedin, FL*

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**Charlie Smith** - September 13, 2014 at 10:25 AM

RM

“ *Russell and Chad. Carol and I send our prayers for you. May you find joy and peace in remembering a sweet, kind and thoughtful lady, both professionally and socially.*

*Dick and Carol Morgan*

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**Richard Morgan** - September 13, 2014 at 06:37 AM

SJ

“ *Sonda Jett-Clair lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Connie Coker Powell*



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**Sonda Jett-Clair** - September 12, 2014 at 10:07 AM

DM

“ *God Bless this family. Connie was such a loving, caring and fun person. She will be missed by many.*

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**Doris Morrison** - September 12, 2014 at 09:12 AM

BK

“ *Barbara King lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Connie Coker Powell*



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**Barbara King** - September 11, 2014 at 11:35 PM

RE

“ *Rich And Gaye Easterling lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Connie Coker Powell*



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**Rich and Gaye Easterling** - September 11, 2014 at 11:34 PM

JB

“ *Jeanette Blackmon lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Connie Coker Powell*



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**Jeanette Blackmon** - September 11, 2014 at 07:21 PM

VM

“ *Russell & family, We are saddened at your loss of Connie. We will keep you in our thoughts & prayers during your time of tribulation. Vic & Becky Makowski*

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**Victor Makowski** - September 11, 2014 at 06:20 PM

DM

“ *Dora Miller lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Connie Coker Powell*



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**Dora Miller** - September 11, 2014 at 06:13 PM

AC

“ Dear Russell and Chad-Connie will be missed so much. One of my earliest memories is jumping to her in the "deep end" of the pool because I was afraid, and she helped me get over that fear as a small child. So many fun summers spent at the beach-how many I wonder? She loved the beach and so do I. Just really great memories I'll hold close to my heart forever. Lots of love to you all and my heart aches for your loss. Amy Cochran Brentwood, Tn

Amy Cochran - September 11, 2014 at 05:54 PM

RS

“ Russell and Chad,  
We were so saddened to hear about Connie's death. Please know that you will be in our thoughts and prayers as you mourn her loss.

Richard & Joyce Strawhorn - September 11, 2014 at 12:03 PM

DD

“ Dale An Loraine Davis lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Connie Coker Powell



Dale an Loraine Davis - September 11, 2014 at 11:17 AM

JJ

So very sorry about Connie. Always liked her. Know she and Joe will see each other in Heaven and rejoice together.

Joanne Cothran (Mrs. Joe) - September 11, 2014 at 09:04 PM



“ *Doris Griggs lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Connie Coker Powell*



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**Doris Griggs** - September 11, 2014 at 10:56 AM

RM

“ *Chad*

*Sorry to hear about your mother Connie. Will keep you and your family in our thoughts and prayers.*

*Rick and Susan McDowell*

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**Rick McDowell** - September 11, 2014 at 09:35 AM

CW

“ *Connie was one of the most amazing women I've ever known!She was not "just a client",she was an incredible friend and a true blessing in my life!She was the highlight of every day I got to spend with her!She leaves a hole in my heart and I will miss her more than I can ever say.I know we will resume our mani/pedi's one day when we are together again!All of my love,thoughts and prayers are with you,Mr.Russell,Chad,family and friends.We lost a shining star in each of our lives!*

*Cheryl Withrow*

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**Cheryl Withrow** - September 11, 2014 at 08:21 AM

JR

“ So very sorry to hear of Connie's passing. Growing up with Connie and the Coker family was such a privilege which left us with many wonderful memories we will always cherish. Connie, you were very loved by all of us.



*Jane and Tom Rumble*

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**Jane Rumble** - September 11, 2014 at 07:45 AM

JC

“ Jim And Jeri Cox lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Connie Coker Powell



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**Jim and Jeri Cox** - September 11, 2014 at 07:28 AM

JV

“ Russell and family,

*Sorry to hear about Connie. Will keep you and your family in our thoughts and prayers.*

*Jeannie & Ed Vinson  
Chapin, SC*

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**Jeannie Vinson** - September 11, 2014 at 06:50 AM

DR

“ Russell,

*So sorry to hear about Connie. Know that you are in our thoughts and prayers.*

*Dave & Jeanne Rudick*

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**Dave Rudick** - September 11, 2014 at 04:40 AM



KC

“ Russell, Chad, Susan, Mr. Coker - We were so sorry to hear of Connie's passing. We grew up with Connie and Susan. The Cokers were a wonderful family and we were so fortunate to be a part of each others lives. I know Connie's goodness and kindness lives on for all of us. We miss her so much.

*Love to all of you,*

*Kathy and Bill Coleman*

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**Kathy Coleman** - September 11, 2014 at 01:47 AM

GT

“ Gayle T.Gilbet lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Connie Coker Powell

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**Gayle T.Gilbet** - September 10, 2014 at 11:17 PM



BM

“ Russell, I was so sorry to learn of your loss. You will be in my thoughts and prayers. May it give you some comfort knowing that Connie is no longer suffering. I pray you will feel the love of God and a peace that passes understanding.

Sincerely,  
Billie McManus

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**Billie McManus** - September 10, 2014 at 08:32 PM

LH

“ Russell and family. I'm so sorry for your loss. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

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**Larry Huggins** - September 10, 2014 at 08:04 PM

VP

“ Von & Linda Parker lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Connie Coker Powell



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**Von & Linda Parker** - September 10, 2014 at 07:49 PM

LT

“ Linda Tolson sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Connie Coker Powell



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**Linda Tolson** - September 10, 2014 at 07:34 PM

MP

“ *Connie was a dear friend of mine. We met when she and her family lived in Florence, Alabama. I will always remember her as a fun loving, sweet, sweet friend who made me laugh a lot. Rest in peace, Connie!*  
*My deepest sympathy goes to Russell and Chad. I hope your wonderful memories of your wife and mother carry you through this sad and difficult time.*

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**mary Beth Passarella** - September 10, 2014 at 07:16 PM

KS

“ *Chad, I am so sorry to hear of the loss of your Mother. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. May God bring peace and give you comfort in this time of sorrow.*  
*Kelly Stone*

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**Kelly Stone** - September 10, 2014 at 06:56 PM

SM

“ *Russell and Chad,*  
*I have lost a wonderful friend and neighbor. I will always remember her kindness and her delicious sour cream pound cakes!*  
*Sending love and prayers to you both,*  
*Shirley McCutchen*

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**Shirley McCutchen** - September 10, 2014 at 06:46 PM

GB

“ *Gaye G Brown lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Connie Coker Powell*



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**gaye g brown** - September 10, 2014 at 06:20 PM

GV

“ Russell, we are sorry to hear about Connie, she was a sweet lady. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

Gary and Annie Vann - September 10, 2014 at 04:58 PM

EH

“ Chad I am so sorry to hear this. You all are in my thoughts and prayers.

Elizabeth Willams Hance - September 10, 2014 at 04:29 PM

SG

“ Suzanne Gardner lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Connie Coker Powell

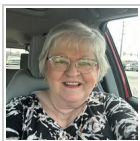


Suzanne Gardner - September 10, 2014 at 03:53 PM

SG

Connie, I have so many wonderful memories of your sweet family during the time y'all lived in Florence, Alabama. You were always so much fun. I remember a bunch of us girls spending the night at your house. FUN, FUN! You will be missed but I know you are in the arms of Jesus now. Russell you and Chad are in our thoughts and prayers.

Suzanne Gardner - September 10, 2014 at 04:06 PM



“ Kathi Kilgore lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Connie Coker Powell



Kathi Kilgore - September 10, 2014 at 03:29 PM



*Our dear friend, Connie, oh how we will miss you, but you are in a far better place! I will always consider you as a best friend! God Bless your sweet family! Rest in Jesus arms!*

**Kathi Kilgore** - September 10, 2014 at 03:33 PM

KS

“ *Kristen Smith lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Connie Coker Powell*



**Kristen Smith** - September 10, 2014 at 03:23 PM

JM

“ *Janet D. Moore lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Connie Coker Powell*



**Janet D. Moore** - September 10, 2014 at 03:09 PM

RL

“ *Russell and Chad It was so sad to hear about Connie. She was such a good friend to all that knew her. We had so many good times at old Bank of Hartsville and memories. We all had something going everyday and Connie could make you laugh. She was such a sweet and caring person. Proud to have called her my friend. Praying for your family now and the days to come. Robin Long*

**Robin Long** - September 10, 2014 at 03:01 PM

SS

“ Russ,  
*I am so sad that we have lost Connie. Having her as part of our Sunday School class for all the years we have been at St. Luke has been so special. Johnny has so many good memories of her in their years at the bank. We loved her, and we love you and are here for you as you go through this difficult loss. This picture is so good.....just the way she always had her sweet smile!!*

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**Sharon and Johnny Sturdivant** - September 10, 2014 at 02:28 PM

AS

“ *Al, Diane & AJ Sanders lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Connie Coker Powell*



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**Al, Diane & AJ Sanders** - September 10, 2014 at 02:25 PM

RH

“ *Richard & Deborah Hightower lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Connie Coker Powell*



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**Richard & Deborah Hightower** - September 10, 2014 at 02:11 PM

DS

“ *Donna Sansbury lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Connie Coker Powell*



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**Donna Sansbury** - September 10, 2014 at 02:01 PM

LH

“ Russell, Chad and family, My thoughts and prayers are with you. I had many wonderful times with Connie in our banking years together. Will never forget our Atlanta trip we took in the middle of "Freaknick" and had to call Russell at 2:00 AM looking for Connie. But Connie being Connie, she could take care of herself, which is exactly what Russell said...oh she'll be fine. We had so many fun times. Everyone that knew her will surely miss her. Linda Hyman

Linda Hyman - September 10, 2014 at 01:21 PM

CW

“ Mr. Powell, Chad, and Family, Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. Connie was one of the sweetest ladies I've ever met. Candy and Craig Wyrick

Craig and Candy Wyrick - September 10, 2014 at 12:40 PM



“ George Smith lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Connie Coker Powell



George Smith - September 10, 2014 at 11:58 AM



Connie worked with my mother at the old bank of Hartsville She was a wonderful person always very helpful My mother thought a lot of her as well. another good person gone far to soon. My thoughts an prayers to her family in this difficult time.

George Smith - September 10, 2014 at 02:15 PM

PA

“ *PaddieGiordan lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Connie Coker Powell*



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**PaddieGiordan** - September 10, 2014 at 10:54 AM

JB

“ *Russell and family, Andy and I are sorry to hear of you loss. Connie was such a sweet person. We will keep your family in our prayers. Remember, she is at peace and pain free in heaven.*

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**Joyce and Andy Beasley** - September 10, 2014 at 10:05 AM

GB

“ *Gerald Brock lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Connie Coker Powell*



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**gerald brock** - September 10, 2014 at 09:58 AM

CG

“ *Russell - my thoughts and prayers are with you.*



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**Connee Gamble Grantham** - September 10, 2014 at 09:17 AM

RC

“ Russell, I am so sorry to hear of your loss. Dick Morgan passed it along to those of us who worked at Robinson Plant and keep in touch. Jackie and I were just talking of you and your family two days ago after we go the local paper. We will be keeping you in our prayers that you find strength to see you thru the upcoming days.

Ray and Jackie Chambers - September 10, 2014 at 09:03 AM

AL

“ Russell, I am so sorry for your loss. Connie was such a sweet person. She will be missed. My prayers are with you during this time. Agnes Lyles

Agnes Lyles - September 10, 2014 at 08:57 AM

DJ

“ Mr. Russell, you and your family are in our prayers. We are so sorry for your loss.

Dr. Andrew Jackson - September 10, 2014 at 07:37 AM

AW

“ Anna Williams lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Connie Coker Powell



anna williams - September 10, 2014 at 06:14 AM

DE

“ *Dianne Edwards lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Connie Coker Powell*



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**dianne edwards** - September 09, 2014 at 08:58 PM

DS

“ *Russell and Family, we are so very sorry to hear about Connie, please know we hold you close to our hearts and our prayers will be with each of you at this very difficult time. Enjoyed working with Connie at the bank, we had some really good times together. God bless you. Danny and Phoebe*



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**Danny and Phoebe Stokes** - September 09, 2014 at 08:20 PM

CB

“ *Mr. Powell, Chad, and family I am so sorry for your loss. Connie was a very sweet and caring person. The world lost a precious treasure and heaven gained a lovely angel today! She will forever be remembered for all she has done to help others and her caring personality. May God be with you all in this time of need. I am praying for you all.*



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**Carla Benton** - September 09, 2014 at 08:15 PM

SK

*Russell, Was shocked to hear about Connie. I worked with her at the bank. Loved her, she was such a wonderful person. I have a lot of memories working with her. May GOD hold you in his arms thru this.  
Sue kelley*

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**Sue Kelley** - September 10, 2014 at 06:38 AM