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Falling Creek Baptist Church
1020 Jack McVeigh Drive
Elberton, GA 30635

Celebration Outreach Center Building Fund
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Elberton, GA 30635

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IN LOVING *Memory*

In moments of *Sorrow,*
it's Family & *Friends*
who bring
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In Loving Memory of

Barbara Jean Rhodes Childs
December 17, 1951 - December 15, 2023





Let not your
Heart
be troubled; ye believe in God,
believe also in me. In my Father's house
are many

Mansions;

if it were not so, I would have told you.
I go to prepare a place for you.
And if I go and prepare a place for you,
I will come again, and receive you unto myself;
that where I am, there ye may be also.

Peace I leave with you,
my peace I give unto you;
not as the world giveth, give I unto you.

*Let not your heart be troubled,
neither let it be afraid.*
- John 14:1-3,27

Celebration of the Life and Faith of
Barbara Jean Rhodes Childs

2 o'clock in the afternoon
Monday, December 18, 2023
Falling Creek Baptist Church

Processional	"Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus"
Remarks	Rev. Douglas Huff
	"I'll Be Home for Christmas"
Remarks	Family Members
	"This Is My Story"
Remarks	Congregation
	"The Longer I Serve Him"
Remarks	Pastor Paul Creason
	"Amazing Grace"
Recessional	Pastor John Case
	"I'll Fly Away"

Honor
Loving Memory

Mrs. Barbara Jean Rhodes Childs of Country Club Road, Elberton, wife of 50 years to the late Bobby 'Wayne' Childs, went to be with the Lord on Friday, December 15, 2023, two days before celebrating her 72nd birthday. Following a sudden pulmonary illness on Wednesday, Barbara passed away surrounded by her family at Piedmont Athens Regional Hospital.

Born in Elberton on December 17, 1951, Mrs. Childs was a daughter of the late Thomas Swift Rhodes and Sarah Rachel Vaughn Rhodes. She was a 1969 graduate of Elbert County High School and enjoyed regularly attending the Class of '69 Sisterhood luncheons. Barbara began working for the Elberton Granite Association while in high school, and retired from there after forty years of service.

Mrs. Childs was a lifelong member of Falling Creek Baptist Church and loved working in the nursery. She lived a life lead by her strong faith in God. Barbara was always present in the lives of those she loved - helping plan celebrations, talking through issues, and being a strong pillar of comfort during any tragedy. When there were no words that could be spoken, a hug from Barbara could be counted on to ease your burden.

A natural caretaker, "MaMa" loved spending time with and caring for her family. Hers was a home always filled with love and a warm meal prepared for everyone. Barbara was known for hosting the best neighborhood pool parties and making the best cheese straws ever. Mrs. Childs could often be found working in her yard and tending to her many flowers. She looked forward to decorating for Christmas each year and loved snowmen. Her contagious smile, sense of humor, and love for others will be remembered for generations.

She is survived by her children and their spouses: Sandi and Greg Willoughby, Allen and Charlotte Childs, and Patti Johnson, all of Elberton; siblings: Dan Rhodes of Elberton and Linda Teasley of Lavonia; grandchildren: Mya Jean Childs, Brittney and Jarrett Berryman, and Breanne and Cole Ferrell; and great-grandchildren: Presley Berryman, Carter Ferrell, and Rylee Ferrell. Barbara also leaves behind her brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Carroll and Gwen Childs; step-grandchildren: Samantha and Mike Eye, Star and Tyler Adams, Anoki Simpson, Ashley and Donovan Dennis, Kayla and Kevin Webb, Cole Willoughby, and Bianca Willoughby; step-great-grandchildren: Nitus Simpson, Lawton Dennis, Addyson Webb, Mayson Webb, Braden Smith and Bristol Smith; and many nieces and nephews.

In addition to her husband and parents, she is preceded in death by her brother, William Rhodes; and son-in-law, Rickey Johnson.