



## Ms. Frances Powell Watson

April 12, 1945 - February 12, 2018

Ms. Frances Powell Watson, 72, of Tifton died Monday, February 12, 2018 at Tift Regional Medical Center.

The funeral service will be held at 2:00 PM on Friday, February 16, 2018 at Banks Funeral Home Chapel with interment to follow in the Hillcrest Cemetery.

Ms. Watson was born on April 12, 1945 in Tifton, GA to the late Harmon Ira and Cornelia Isabella Elliott Powell. She had lived in Southwest Georgia all of her life. Ms. Watson attended Auburn University where she studied Interior Decorating. She was a gifted floral designer and gardener who served as a longtime member of the Tift County Garden Club. Ms. Watson was the co-owner of a Tifton antique and gift shop, Southern Station. She loved her cats, spending time in her garden, and caring for her greatest love, her family. Ms. Watson was a faithful member of the First United Methodist Church in Tifton. Survivors include her children, Amy Riggins (Harold), and Michael Watson (Tammie) all of Tifton; grandchildren, Chelsea Casey (Cody), Ashley Riggins, Christina Salter, and Isabella Watson; great-grandchild, Caitlin Riggins; the father of her children, Mickey Watson; and numerous extended family members and friends.

The family will receive friends on Friday from 1:00 PM until the Service Hour at Banks Funeral Home Chapel.

Please sign our online guest registry at [www.banksfh.com](http://www.banksfh.com).

Banks Funeral Home in Sylvester is in charge of arrangements.



# Tribute Wall



“ *Ms. Frances Powell Watson*

January 28, 2023 at 12:53 PM



“ *My dear friend is home with Jesus. My condolences to the family of Frances. She will be missed.*

**George Ray Houston** - May 14, 2018 at 02:00 PM



“ *Frances was one of a kind. Head strong. Loved her sports. Gardner, crafter, Baker, Co-worker, And Friend.*

**Jean Wells wnek** - May 14, 2018 at 02:00 PM



“ *Keeping you all in our thoughts & prayers~*

**Wayne & Tonya Cooper** - May 14, 2018 at 02:00 PM

MG

“FRANCES, Donna and I were lifelong Best Friends. We were the "Three-fold cord" that the BIBLE speaks of: "A three-fold cord is not easily broken." If Frances loved you---She REALLY LOVED YOU. She Never did anything half-way. Her FAITH in GOD, and her Determination sustained her throughout her lifetime. She loved giving gifts. In her early years, she gave expensive gifts. In her later years, when her income was cut substantially---that did not deter her---she still gave gifts to those she held Dear to her heart. I was with her on numerous occasions in Tifton, and several different towns when she would go "Gift Shopping." She would take us to some of the "Most Unlikely" places---and at each place, Frances seemed to literally "sniff-out" TREASURES. Frances would look behind things and under stacks of all kinds of things including JUNK---and out her hands would come with Baldwin Brass candlesticks, beautiful figurines, lovely bookends, signed and numbered pictures that were professionally framed. She would find lamps of different Periods that were Beautiful. I have one lamp, in particular, that is a Louis XV that she gave me for my birthday. She got Michael to rewire it for me so that I can use it every day---and I do! Frances loved china and crystal, and as usual---she would find choice pieces, and beautiful crystal etched glass goblets, etc. She was in her element when it came to antiques. She LOVED THEM! She knew each Period, and the approximate value of each piece. In her early years, she and Wayne Calloway restored and refinished several pieces together. Wayne was the Master! Her knowledge was extensive when it came to flowers, trees and shrubs. Frances could have taught a course in Horticulture at a major university. To sum it all up: FRANCES EUGENIA (She hated Eugenia!) POWELL WATSON WAS AN AMAZING, UNIQUE, COMPLICATED "PIECE OF WORK!" There will Never be another one like her. We... "the three-fold cord" fussed sometimes---but we adored each other! We were closer than sisters---We were Always Sisters at heart. IN LOVING MEMORY OF OUR DEAR, DEAR, DEAR, DEAR FRANCES. Most sincerely. Marsha Carol Watson Gandy

Marsha Carol Watson Gandy - May 14, 2018 at 02:00 PM

JM

“ Michael and Amy. I remember you Mom as a Very sweet lady. My sympathies in the loss of your Mother.

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**Judy Morey** - May 14, 2018 at 02:00 PM

DK

“ While I will miss my lifelong friend , I find comfort in knowing she suffers no more. She was like my sister, and I will cherish the fun times we shared. Davis and I value the good times we had with Frances and her family . Love and prayers to all, and I trust that God's love will surround all of you in the days and weeks ahead . Love, Donna and Davis King

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**Donna King** - May 14, 2018 at 02:00 PM

JH

“ So very sorry Michael!!! She was a special woman and a very strong woman. Sending you much love and prayers!

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**Jennifer Hogan** - May 14, 2018 at 02:00 PM

PL

“ So sorry for your loss. Frances was a wonderful friend????

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**Patricia Lawhorn** - May 14, 2018 at 02:00 PM

TT

“ We went to high school together. Frances was a wonderful person. So sorry to hear of her passing. May she Rest In Peace.

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**Thelma Tone** - May 14, 2018 at 02:00 PM



“ *Friend*

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**Eddie Barfield** - May 14, 2018 at 02:00 PM