



Mrs. Gay Walker Delawder-Swanger

October 12, 1928 - March 26, 2012

Mrs. Earlene Gay Walker Delawder-Swanger, 83, of Albany died Monday March 26, 2012 at Willson Hospice House in Albany.

Mrs. Delawder-Swanger was cremated and the remains will be interred at Trinity Powder Springs Cemetery in Basye, Virginia.

Mrs. Delawder-Swanger was born on October 12, 1928 to the late Luther and Essie Combs Walker in Hardy County, Virginia.

Survivors include her husband, Donald W. Swanger of Albany; son, Thomas R. Delawder of Olmsted, Ohio; daughters, Donna Delbrugge (Albert) of Venice, FL, Theressia Fry (Kenneth) of Albany; sisters, Estelle Barb of Basye, VA, Ardell Simmers of Bayse, VA, Louise Barb (Merlin) of Cumberland, MD, Darlene Mountz (Levi) of Carlise, PA, Jemima (Tootsie) Twigg of Cumberland, MD; 1 grandson, 5 granddaughters, 8 great grandsons, 8 great granddaughters.

In addition to her parents, Mrs. Delawder-Swanger was preceded in death by her first husband Chester Delawder and a brother Arnold Walker.

Sign our online guest registry at www.banksfh.com

Banks Funeral Home in Sylvester is in charge of the arrangements.

229-776-2055

Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Gay Walker Delawder-Swanger*

January 28, 2023 at 12:53 PM



“ *Aunt Earlene, you will be missed by all who knew you. I will always remember how kind you were to my mom and what a special bond you two had. We will miss you at reunions but you will be in our thoughts.*

Carl & Phyllis Hebb - March 22, 2013 at 08:58 AM



“ *My most heartfelt sympathies to the family of Earlene. I was saddened to learn of her passing. We at times had our differences but I still felt a connection and genuine fondness for Earlene as she was the grandmother to my 2 children and great grandmother to my 2 grandchildren. Hers was a kind and giving spirit. I know the family will forever miss her and to them, again, my sincerest sympathy. I know she was a believer and so she's now resting with our heavenly Father.*

Dixie Ward - March 22, 2013 at 08:58 AM



“ *I'll never forget how thoughtful Aunt Earlene was to my mother, especially after my father passed away. She wrote to her and sent cards so, so often. She will never be forgotten. And after mom passed away, she and I corresponded often and exchanged pictures. God Bless this family! With Deepest Sympathy, Helen and Ronnie*

Helen and Ronald Middleton - March 22, 2013 at 08:58 AM

BH

“ *Thinking of you all.*

Becci Hartsock-Feaster - March 22, 2013 at 08:58 AM

KK

“ *So sorry too hear of Aunt Earlene's passing. Our thoughts & prayers are with you all.*

Kim, Jamie, Emily, & Olivia Kesner

Kim Kesner - March 22, 2013 at 08:58 AM

TD

“ *You're more than a wonderful Mom - you're the keeper of memories, the maker of everyday miracles, and the one whose love brightens ordinary days and makes every occasion special.*

You're more than a wonderful Mom - you're a remarkable woman who's thought of today and always with love and a wish for everything that brings you joy.

Happy Easter with Love

Your Loving Son, Tommy

Thomas Delawder - March 22, 2013 at 08:58 AM

VC

“ *Sorry for your loss. Earlene was a special lady. I have many good memories of our years growing up on the mountain.*

Virginia Twigg Cessna - March 22, 2013 at 08:58 AM

LM

“ Just learned from Tom of Earlene's passing. You all have my deepest sympathy. Your mom was such a dear person. I loved her so !!.

Having lost Ray several years ago I see grief as a journey and want to pass this on to all of you.

At first they are too painful, and every memory breaks our hearts.

Gradually they help us establish the significance of our loss ... In time, our memories become our most precious possessions.

The memories wrap themselves around us and our loved one is reborn in our hearts. That is called the "Journey of Grief"

May all of you treasure your memories and I know "Mom" will live on in our hearts forever

Linda Mullins - March 22, 2013 at 08:58 AM

DA

“ I want to thank family & friends for your kind words. My mom will be missed everyday of my life. I will be with her again. Love & miss you, Your little sunflower

Donna Mae & Al - March 22, 2013 at 08:58 AM

TD

“ A Mother holds her children's hands for a short while, but their hearts forever.”

Mom, you will always have place in my heart.

Happy Mother's Day from your son.

Thomas Delawder - March 22, 2013 at 08:58 AM