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Virginia “Ginny” Wheeler Sumner, 57, of Huntersville died December 8, 2016 at her home. She was born on June 11, 1959 in Escambia County, FL to Mary Lee Powers Wheeler and the late William James Wheeler. “Miss Ginny” worked as the preschool director at Ramah Presbyterian Church for almost two decades. She lived life with an abundant supply of compassion and empathy for others, especially stray animals, children with disabilities, and those most vulnerable in society. She taught her children what it felt like to be loved fully and without condition.

She is survived by her husband Jay; son, Michael of Springfield, VA; daughter, Kate of Northampton, MA; and brothers, Jim, Robert and Michael, as well as her mother Mary Lee Wheeler.

Memorials may be made to the Ramah Presbyterian Church Preschool for a scholarship fund that will be established in her name, 14401 Ramah Church Rd. Huntersville, NC 28078.

The family will receive friends from 6-8 PM Tuesday, December 13 at James Funeral Home. The funeral service will be held at 2 PM Wednesday at Ramah Presbyterian Church with burial to follow in the church cemetery. All are welcome.

James Funeral Home of Huntersville is serving the family. www.jamesfuneralhomeLKN.com



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PM

Peggy Mckinley posted:

To the Wheelers:I remember visiting her parent house when we were in our twenties. I admired her so much. I was in aw of her ability to conquer anything that she came up against. Including three older brothers who she kept in line.I remember the Christmas cards with pictures of her kids and how proud she was of them. She always giggled when she talked and was full of life. She was brilliant and had no fear of the world.I hope where ever she is now she will find all of that again. We will miss you Sweet Ginny.

December 15 at 11:24 AM

LH

Laurie Householder posted:

I am so sad to hear this. My condolences to her husband and children and the Wheelers. She was a truly kind person.

December 14 at 5:01 AM

RH

Robert Hixson posted:

I am deeply saddened and shocked to hear my dear cousin has passed away. She was one of the sweetest people I have ever known. Condolences to Jay ,Katie, Michael my aunt Mary Lee, Jim. Robert and Michael

December 13 at 11:55 AM

DW

Darnell Williams posted:

May the God of all comfort provide your family with comfort during this difficult time. May you find hope and comfort at Revelation 21:3,4

December 13 at 3:13 AM

GR

Gay Roberts posted:

So sorry to hear this news. My heart goes out to your family! May God comfort you during this time.

December 12 at 1:50 PM



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MB

Maria Bradley posted:

Jay, Our heartfelt condolences to you and your family. Our prayers are with you. Maria In behalf of your Gemini family in MA

December 12 at 11:17 AM

PS

Pepper And Will Stanford posted:

Jay, Kate and Michael: Words can't express our sadness and sorrow at Ginny's passing. Ramah Preschool was so instrumental in the beginning of RJ's education and I always joked with Ginny about how exhausted I was when I had to do the volunteer week and fix Goldfish and Lemondade at snack time. We would always, always laugh at my Scarlet O'Hara impersonation. Will and Ginny served on the Pastoral Search committee together and Ginny always had valuable comments to make to the discussion. One of my favorite pictures is of Kate, Michael and Clark at a Ramah Church camp out hanging on the tennis court, getting ready for a ghost tour in the cemetery. They were all elementary school age. Such good memories!! With much love to you, Will, Pepper, Clark and RJ Stanford

December 12 at 4:59 AM

JM

Jhonna Merson posted:

I don't even have words to say how saddened I am. My children may not realize the impact Ms Jenny had on their lives but I do. I am so thankful to have known her and to have had her play such a major role in the shaping of my children's moral and educational background. Thank you for sharing her with me and my children.

December 11 at 5:29 PM

HV

Heather Villano posted:

I'm so sad to hear of Miss Ginny's passing. We loved her so dearly while my son attended Ramah Preschool. Ethan visited Miss Ginny a couple of times while in Preschool!!! Lol. She would just giggle, it definitely was NOT a punishment! She truly was a wonderful and special woman!!! Prayers for peace for the family! She spoke so fondly of you! ❤️

December 11 at 5:28 PM



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AP

Aimee Pfitzner posted:

I am so very sorry for your loss. She was a very sweet lady and a loving mom.

December 11 at 2:53 PM

DM

Doris Dunivant (Melody Bryant's Mother) posted:

I am so sorry to hear that Ginny has passed. Met her years ago when visiting my daughter who was Ginny's friend and neighbor. I was impressed with her love of animals and how she was always ready to take in a homeless animal and give it a home. RIP Ginny.

December 11 at 10:20 AM

EK

Elizabeth Kinney posted:

I am SO sad to hear this news. Ginny was a wonderful person and great animal lover. We got our sweet dog Sarah from her and we enjoyed 16 1/2 wonderful years enjoying her. Sarah is surely there to greet Ginny in heaven with many kisses. My thoughts and prayers are with Jay, Katie and Michael. Rest in peace Ginny!

December 11 at 9:14 AM

JF

Jennifer Farmer posted:

I am so sorry for your loss, she was such a sweet lady and I am so glad I was able to spend some time with her the last few months. She will be missed and have a special place in my heart.

December 10 at 6:42 AM



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