



## Mary Frances Laughridge

January 3, 1932 - March 17, 2007

Frances Morton was born on January 3, 1932 in Clinton, South Carolina. She graduated from High School in Great Falls, South Carolina and married Edward on September 17, 1950. After living in Lancaster South Carolina for a few years, and having a daughter, Sharon, they moved several times as Ed returned to College and on to Seminary. Fran and Ed lived in New Orleans from 1964-1966 and in North Carolina from 1966-1968. In 1968 Fran and Ed left the United States to live and work Trinidad, West Indies from 1969-1974, as Baptist Missionaries. During that time, they had a son, Len. The family then moved to Liberia, West Africa in 1975 with Fran and Ed remaining there until 1996. During that time she taught English literacy, established clinics and ran a volunteer medical program. From 1990-1996 was active in refugee assistance and food aid distribution in Kporkpaa District, Cape Mount County, Liberia, during the Liberian civil war. Since returning from Liberia, Fran and Ed have made Atlanta their home. The late Mr. & Mrs. Beecher Morton and Frances' brother, Earl, preceded her in death. Her surviving husband is Edward and children are Sharon Fenn and Len Laughridge. Fran is sister to Dr. Beecher Morton of Williamston, South Carolina, Deaver Morton of Friendswood, Texas and Jacqueline Waggoner of Natchez, Mississippi and "GranFran" to George, son of Sharon. Funeral services will be held on Thursday, March 21, 2007 at 2:00 PM in the funeral home chapel with Dr. David Sapp officiating. Interment will follow at Arlington Memorial Park. The family will receive friends on Wednesday from 6-8PM at Northside Chapel

Funeral Directors, Roswell/Alpharetta 770-645-1414. [www.northsidechapel.com](http://www.northsidechapel.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 21. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Northside Chapel Funeral Directors and Crematory  
12050 Crabapple Road  
Roswell, GA

## Service

MAR 22. 2:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Mary Frances Laughridge*

October 08, 2022 at 11:37 AM



“ *Please give Ed Laughridge & his children our sympathy & extend our love to them at the loss of their loved one. We were members at Westside Baptist Church, Lancaster, S.C. together in 1958, sung in the choir together, Rev. Lee Blackmon was our pastor. Below is a list of the families that attended the church then, and ask about you often: Tom & Nellie Catoe, George & Gladys Rollings, Jerry & Jane Bowers. You and Frances have been in our prayers a long time. If you are ever visiting in Lancaster, we would love for you to visit Westside Again. Jean & Frank##imported-begin##Frank & Jean Faulkenberry##imported-end##*

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“ *Ed was our sunday school teacher at Westside church when he and Frances was called into the ministry. She was a very beautiful lady and her and Ed were a great inspiration to us. These other class members Katherine Faulkenberry, Shirley Wrape and Mary Nancy Rollings are also remembering the family at this time.##imported-begin##James & Mary Oliver##imported-end##*

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