



## Flo Durden

April 28, 1915 - June 6, 2014

FLORENA JENKINS DURDEN, AGE 99

And a resident of Franklinton died at 4:28 pm Friday June 6, 2014 at Good Samaritan Nursing Home. She was married to her husband Russell Durden for 57 years. She was a graduate of Franklinton High School in 1933 where she was an accomplished basketball player. She attended Pearl River Jr. College on a scholarship for her basketball ability. She, alongside her family, operated Durden Brothers Grocery in Franklinton for many years. Mrs. Flo was a longtime dedicated Christian and a member of Trinity Baptist Church that stayed very active in life by doing her yard work and excellent cooking even into her later years. Mrs. Flo had perfected her chocolate cake and it was a priority at all the family gatherings. She continued to have basketball and sports play a role in her life as she enjoyed following the exploits of her grandchildren and later her great-grandchildren. Time spent playing dominoes and cards with her family and friends were some of her favorite memories. She was always a loving wife, mother, grandmother and sister.

Survived by:

Daughter and Son in law: Barbara and Paul Alford of Mt. Hermon

Daughter in law: Linda Durden of Franklinton

2 Granddaughters and Spouses: Theresa and Gene Consterdine of Baton Rouge, Debbie and Lance Jarrell of Franklinton

4 Great-grandchildren: Victoria Consterdine, Haleigh Consterdine, Taylor Jarrell, Preston Jarrell

Sister: Charline Spencer of Franklinton

Brother and Sister in law: Rex and Laura Jenkins of Kingston, TN

Also numerous nieces and nephews

She was preceded in death by her husband Russell Durden, a son William Russell "Bill" Durden, daughter Candis Lorena Durden, her parents Charlie Thomas Jenkins and Zula McCain Jenkins, a grandson Preston Alford and 4 brothers R.L. Jenkins, Errol Jenkins, Larry Jenkins and Chester Jenkins.

Visitation will be at Crain Funeral Home Monday June 9th from 9 am until 11 am. A funeral service will be held at 11 am Monday in the funeral home chapel with Bro. Joe Baugh and Bro. Stan Statham officiating. Burial will follow in the Morris Cemetery.

Obituaries can be viewed online at [www.crainfh.com](http://www.crainfh.com)

# Tribute Wall

RB

“ Mrs Barbara, So sorry for your loss of your Mom, Mrs. Flo. She was a wonderful lady and I have many memories of her , Mr. Chester and my grandmother Stella!!

Rhonda Kinlaw Byrd - June 24, 2014 at 12:38 AM

AJ

“ I remember many wonderful times at Second Baptist Church with Miss Flo and her great family. I know the angels are singing beautifully for her arrival. Luv and prayers go out to the family

Ann Pettit jones - June 12, 2014 at 10:23 AM

LB

“ I am just hearing of Aunt Flo's passing. She lived a long and prosperous life and was adored by many. Sending prayers to all of the family. Lora McElveen Bennett and Leslie McElveen Topps, daughters of Frances Ann Bankston.

LORA MCELVEEN BENNETT - June 09, 2014 at 09:41 AM

VS

“ My heartfelt sympathies for your loss. I loved Ms Flo and will miss her smile!

Vicki Schilling - June 09, 2014 at 08:23 AM

RS

“ Ms. Durden was such a special lady and always so much fun to be around. Keeping you all in my prayers.

Rachel Bergin Smith - June 08, 2014 at 07:55 PM

TM

“ Flo Durden

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**Ted & Kathy McElveen** - June 08, 2014 at 04:39 PM

RP

“ We are sorry for your loss. Me maw , Mrs. Flo, was a special lady, and we know you all will miss her. We are on vacation with our grandchildren and will not be able to attend her services, but know that our prayers and sympathy are with you. Dale and Margie

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**Rev. Dale and Margie Parker** - June 08, 2014 at 04:31 PM

FC

“ When they ran the Durdens' store back in the fifties Flo (and Russell) gave tremendous support and encouragement to a rural high schooler who was one of their stock boys. It was this support that allowed me to get a degree that led to a career in education. I will always be grateful. I have a lot of love and a lot of history with this family. Finley Corkern

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**Finley Corkern** - June 08, 2014 at 10:19 AM

TL

“ Please accept my condolence upon your loss. May you treasure and share memories for generations.

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**Tom Lewis** - June 07, 2014 at 09:44 PM

JB

“ I am so very sorry to learn of Miss Flo's passing. You are each in my thoughts and prayers.

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**Judy Burch** - June 07, 2014 at 08:04 PM

JM

“ My heart breaks at the thought of losing Ms. Durden. Gosh, I loved that lady from waaay back when I was a little kid at the Second Baptist Church, now Trinity Baptist Church. How blessed our little church was to have had the Durden family. It was a tiny little church of families. Mr. and Mrs. Durden were power players for God. I will spend some time remembering her from my childhood; the entire Durden family. Barbara, Bill and Candis. No doubt, Ms. Durden had a welcome committee meeting her....my love to you, Barbara. May the peace of Christ Jesue rest in the hearts of this remarkable lady.

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**Judy McCasland Micelle** - June 07, 2014 at 07:24 PM

PC

“ My heart goes out to all the family of Ms. Flo. She was a wonderful person and I know all the good memories will get you through this sad time. Barry thought a lot of her. Love Paulette and Barry

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**Paulette and Barry Crain** - June 07, 2014 at 07:08 PM

CM

“ Mrs. Flo has given me fond memories of the time they were in the grocery business. She was humorous and friendly anytime we were there. I am sorry that her sweet ways will be no more. Sending my deepest sympathy to all the family for her loss.

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**Charles and Ernestine Miller** - June 07, 2014 at 04:33 PM