



Gayle Walsdorf Foret

December 27, 1936 - September 27, 2022

Gayle Walsdorf Foret passed away peacefully at home on Tuesday, September 27, 2022, at the age of 85. She is survived by her husband of 63 years, Dr. Gerald Foret, sons Dr. Gerald Foret Jr and wife Jody, Dr. Christopher Foret and wife Julie. Gayle was “Gigi” to her beloved grandchildren: Dr. Gerald Lee Foret III and wife Avery, Dr. Andrew Foret, Dr. Janna Foret Nelson and husband Matthew, Ashley Foret, and step grandchildren Brooke and Maloree Miller. She is also survived by two great-grandchildren Brighton and Jameson Foret, special cousin Rhonda Atkinson, dear friend Louise Fisher, and several nieces and nephews.

Born to August W. and Helen B. Walsdorf in New Orleans, Gayle attended Warren Easton High School. She graduated from Louisiana State University with a bachelor’s degree in education. She worked as a social worker in New Orleans before the family moved to Lafayette. Subsequently, Gayle and Dr. Gerry moved to Natchez, Mississippi and then relocated to North Carolina. In 1968, the Foret family moved from Camp Lejeune, to Franklinton. Working with her husband, she served as the office manager of Family Medical Clinic for 32 years. Gayle was a board member for Hospice of St. Tammany and a former president of the Franklinton Women’s Club. She was a member of Centenary United Methodist Church. Gayle loved family, LSU, Mardi Gras, Christmas, Fox News, card games, old fashioned, cute shoes, shopping and going to “the beauty.” She cherished spending time with the roadrunners, the

football group, the card group, the bible group, the lunch bunch and the S&J group. Her friends in Franklinton were paramount to her, supporting and loving her as she did them. Gayle was kindhearted to all – one of her many virtues.

Special thanks to caregivers Janice Smith and Sabrina Butler.

Visitation will be at Centenary United Methodist Church (1015 Cleveland Street, Franklinton) on Saturday, October 1st from 9:00 until 11:00. A funeral service will be held in the church at 11:00 with Reverend Cecil Locke officiating. Interment will follow at Lake Lawn Metairie Cemetery in New Orleans. In lieu of flowers, the family prefers memorial donations be made to Centenary United Methodist Church.

Pallbearers: Gerald Lee Foret III, Andrew Foret, Jimmy Foret, Richard Fields, Spencer Green, Jeff McVean, Matthew Nelson

Tribute Wall

RD

“ Longtime friend of Gayle from Beauregard Elementary and Warren Easton High school. Condolences and prayers to the Foret family. - Ronald McDonald

Ronald Mc Donald - October 05, 2022 at 09:32 PM

BM

“ Longtime friend with Gayle since 2nd grade at Beauregard and graduated from Warren Easton with her. Always a big LSU fan with her. My sincere condolences, love and prayers to Gerry and family. - Barbara Satterley Mc Donald

Barbara Satterley McDonald - October 05, 2022 at 09:26 PM

JA

“ Sending our love and condolences to the Foret Family. Jennifer and Darryl Aguilar

Jennifer Aguilar - October 03, 2022 at 03:28 PM

ST

“ All of us at STHS have your family in our thoughts and prayers. May your mom rest in peace.

Sharon Toups - October 03, 2022 at 09:12 AM

PR

“ Dr Foret we are so sorry for the loss of your beloved Gayle. We are all praying for you and your entire family. Your family has always been very special to us. May God comfort you All during this difficult time The Terrell Family

Patsy Ritchie - October 02, 2022 at 10:35 PM

KM

“ So sorry to learn of Gayle's passing. My condolences. Ken Veca

Kenneth Veca, M.D. - October 02, 2022 at 04:23 PM

RI

“ Mrs Gayle was always had a nice smile, the kind of smile that would make you forget you were sick until you went in to see Mr Dr Foret. A beautiful soul that will be missed.

Rickey Inabnitt - October 01, 2022 at 12:15 PM

SB

“ Deepest sympathy for Dr Foret, Dr Chris and all the family!

Sharon n John Beckett - September 30, 2022 at 10:57 PM

JB

“ Cousin Gayle was like a sister to my father, Norvin Pellerin, with them both being only children and first cousins. So many of my early childhood memories are filled with her incredible presence as well as Aunt Helen and Uncle Jack's. Our family was able to be so much more than it ever could have been because of the loving support of the Walsdorf family. And this in more ways than I can count!! Thank you, Gayle for all the love you shared. Wishing you sweet rest in the arms of Jesus. ❤️❤️❤️

Julie Pellerin Bukrey - September 30, 2022 at 01:48 PM

MS

“ A beautiful lady who will be missed by all who knew her



Melb Scoggin - September 29, 2022 at 04:58 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Gayle Walsdorf Foret.*



September 29, 2022 at 11:40 AM



“ *An elegant lady that she shined in every room she entered. God bless the Forest family as they each travel a new road of life. Deepest sympathy, Mr. & Mrs. B.H. Texada*

Grace E Texada - September 29, 2022 at 11:10 AM



“ *Serene Reflections Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gayle Walsdorf Foret.*



September 29, 2022 at 10:37 AM



“ *Oraying for all of you. God Bless !!!*

Lyne Robbins - September 29, 2022 at 10:25 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Gayle Walsdorf Foret.*



September 29, 2022 at 10:11 AM



“ *Gayle was one of my favorite customer, she always would bring joy to my shop. I loved gayle. All my prayers and love for her family. Prayers and love! Judie Cook*

Judie Cook - September 29, 2022 at 09:25 AM



“ *May God comfort you at this time.*
The August Family

Terrence August - September 29, 2022 at 08:04 AM



“ *So sorry to hear of Mrs. Gayle's passing. She was such a special lady. So loving and caring. There was nothing like her rum cakes, that she treated the infusion department to on several occasions. But we made sure we didn't eat them while on duty, because it was made with the real thing. This is just one of the memories that makes me smile about Mrs. Gayle. Please know I have each of everyone of you in my thoughts and prayers*

Janet Breland - September 29, 2022 at 12:01 AM

LM

“ Dear Foret Fly., I am so saddened to hear of Mrs. Gayle's passing. She was such a special lady & I had great admiration & respect for her. Please know that we will have all of you in our prayers during this sad time.

LIBBY & LINUS MAGEE - September 28, 2022 at 10:53 PM

LW

Dr. Foret and family, I'm so sorry to hear of Gayle's passing. She was the epitome of a true Southern lady. She was much loved by my family. I am sending prayers for strength and comfort in the difficult days ahead.

LaJune Williams - September 29, 2022 at 10:04 AM

BK

Dr Foret and family. I'm so sorry to hear of Mrs Gayle's passing. She was a very sweet person and a great office manager when I worked there for 16 yrs. Will keep y'all in my prayers.

Brenda Kennedy - September 29, 2022 at 02:34 PM

NA

Dr forget and family. Heaven has gained a very special ANGEL. You are all in our prayers.



Mike and Natalie sharp

Natalie - September 29, 2022 at 09:35 PM

JW

Sending prayer of comfort and strength to the Foret family. Johnette Fisher-Whitfield

Johnette Fisher Whitfield - September 30, 2022 at 12:49 AM

RR

Dr Foret and family, I am so sorry to hear of Gayle's passing. She was such an outstanding person. We served together on the Hospice of St Tammany Board. I always looked forward to seeing her and Violetta at the meetings. I will always remember her beautiful smile

Richard Reed - September 30, 2022 at 11:08 AM