



## Shirley Adams

October 16, 2010

ADAMS, Dr. Shirley Fay Ford Adams, age 78, of Austell died Saturday, October 16, 2010.

Dr. Adams was born in Florence, SC on March 18, 1932. She attended Columbia College in South Carolina, and earned a degree in Speech and Drama from the University of Georgia. She and her late husband, Dr. William A. Adams, shared a life of ministry and service, and she later earned a Doctor of Divinity from Columbia Theological Seminary and became an ordained Presbyterian minister. Dr. Adams served as the Associate Pastor of St. Luke's Presbyterian Church in Dunwoody, GA. She became affiliated with airport ministry in its beginning years, and served as a chaplain at Hartsfield Airport in Atlanta, GA. She ministered to many members of the airport security force, airline employees, and the traveling public.

Dr. Adams continued her servant's role while living at Presbyterian Village in Austell. There she assisted the chaplain and her Sunday School teacher, and was an active voice for the Presbyterian Village residents. She loved the Atlanta Braves and was thrilled when she went on a field trip to a Braves game with other residents and friends.

Dr. Adams thoroughly enjoyed spending time with her family—her children and her grandchildren. She is survived by her children; Ginger Suarez, Cindy Kashi, Dempie Shaul, Kitty Kendrick, William (Buzz) Adams, and Kerry Williams, her sons-in-law; Rick Suarez, Tom Kashi, Pat Shaul, Rick Kendrick, and Wayne Williams, her grandchildren; Adam Suarez, Sally Kazin and her husband Michael, Kelly Ball and her husband Brandon, Nicole Williams and Trevor Williams.

A memorial service will be held Wednesday, 10am, at Presbyterian Village in Austell, GA. Interment, 3:00pm at Oconee Memorial Park Cemetery, Seneca, SC. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Presbyterian Village, Austell, GA.

The family will receive friends Tuesday 6-8pm at Davis – Struempff Funeral Home, Austell. 770-944-2900.



# Events

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**OCT 19**   **Visitation**   06:00PM - 08:00PM

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Davis-Struempf Funeral Home  
1975 East-West Connector, Austell, GA, US, 30106

**OCT 20**   **Visitation**   09:00AM - 10:00AM

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Presbyterian Village Center  
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**OCT 20**   **Service**   10:00AM

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# Comments

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“ My prayers are with your family.

**Valynda Freeman** - October 27, 2010 at 09:01 PM

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“ Ginger, Cindy, Dempie, Kitty, Buzz and Kelly

I am so sorry to learn about your mother's death. She and your dad were far and away mom and dad's favorite people from seminary, and their friendship endured their lifetime. I can't remember the last time I saw you all, it seems like maybe it was in Montreat.

Hang on to the great memories of your mom and dad, they were exceptional people.

Maybe we will catch up one of these days.

Mike

**Mike Reese** - October 25, 2010 at 07:29 PM

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“ Our thoughts and prayers continue for your family-your Mom and Dad were so very special to our family and I know Shirley and Mom are rejoicing in their reunion!!  
Please hug each other for me-  
Much love,  
Susan

**Susan Reese Moseley** - October 24, 2010 at 12:31 PM

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“ Please know how much I'm thinking of all of you, and how much we loved you mother. She was such a dear friend to my mother, and I know they're now happy together again talking about how bad Mike is!

Remember all the special times, and keep your memories alive - she was a special lady and really helped me through my grief after my mother died.

Love, Weese

**Mary Louise Shell (Weese)** - October 24, 2010 at 12:24 PM

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“ I want to express my sincere sympathy for the loss of your loved one and I hope the following suggestions help the family members and those who loved Shirley Adams to lessen their grief.

- Talk about your feelings to “a true companion” who will listen patiently and sympathetically.
- If you have feelings of guilt thinking that some neglect on your part contributed to your loved one's death, realize, though, that no matter how much we love another person, we cannot prevent “time and unforeseen occurrence from befalling those we love. (Ecclesiastes 9:11)

More than anything else, a relationship with God can help you to cope with the death of someone you love. Isaiah 33:24 promises the time when an end to sickness will become a reality. God will put an end to pain, suffering and even DEATH. God promises at Isaiah 25:8 that death will be swallowed up forever.

**S Lee** - October 22, 2010 at 07:37 AM

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“ Adams Children  
Marianne and I loved seeing all of you on Tuesday night. It brought back so many wonderful childhood memories at your house, our house and at First Presbyterian. Your mother had such a positive impact on our lives. Let's plan to get together in the near future.

**Deanie May Fincher** - October 21, 2010 at 10:46 AM

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“ Cindy--My thoughts and prayers to you and your family. I know how special your mother was to you. She touched many lives in her 78 years, and even though I never met her, I felt I knew her through you. My deepest sympathy for your loss.

**Pam Sieg** - October 21, 2010 at 07:53 AM

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“ I'm was sorry to hear about the passing of your mother. She was always a loving person and so kind to us in our youth. I have only fond memories of her and her gentle spirit and smile.

**Joe May** - October 20, 2010 at 10:40 PM

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“ Cindy,  
I am thinking and praying for your family in this time of sorrow that only time can heal.

**Cheryl Dennis** - October 20, 2010 at 11:17 AM

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“ Cindy - I am so sorry to hear about your mother's passing. I know how much you loved spending time with her, and I certainly enjoyed the stories that you shared about her. I am thinking of you and your family at this time. May she rest peacefully.

**Kathy Thompson** - October 20, 2010 at 11:09 AM

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“ Your mother was a wonderful person. She and I worked together on a number of Presbytery projects, mainly women's issues. You have a wonderful legacy left by both your parents.

**Sandra McQueen** - October 20, 2010 at 09:40 AM

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“ Dear Kitty and Family,  
So sorry for your loss. My heart and prayers are with each of you. May time and many happy memories bring you comfort in the days ahead.  
Love in AOT,  
Katie

**Katie Dallas** - October 18, 2010 at 08:04 PM

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“ Kitty and Rick, sisters and Buzz and family,  
  
Thinking of you at this time and praying for your comfort and strength as you say your goodbyes to your dear mother. You have been so wonderful to her through the years!  
  
Sincerely,  
Frank and Colleen Welch

**Colleen and Frank Welch** - October 18, 2010 at 12:39 PM

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“ Kitty and family,  
  
I am thinking of you during this time. I lost my father unexpectedly just a year ago this month and I have some idea of what the loss of a parent feels like. My prayers are with you.  
Patti Lindsay (KD 1979)

**Patricia Burns Lindsay** - October 18, 2010 at 08:19 AM