



Connie Ball MacGill

October 19, 1946 - January 11, 2024

Connie Ball MacGill, 77, of Holly Springs, NC passed away peacefully January 11, 2024 surrounded by her family. She is preceded in death by her parents, Virgil Ball and Pearl Lowery Ball, and her brother, Dave Ball. Connie is survived by her daughter, Andrea Helton (Rick), and her son, Jeremy Payne (Laura); brother, Sam Ball, and sisters, Sandy Bryan and Suzy Shultz; and her grandchildren whom she adored: Nikki Birkenstock (Chad), Chase Helton (Elise), Caden Payne, Mason Payne, Mackenzie Payne, and Jackson Payne.

Born October 19, 1946 in Galion, OH, Connie grew up on a small farm with two older brothers and two younger sisters. They had pigs, chickens, steers, and lots of ponies. Connie's hobbies and activities growing up included playing the clarinet and the accordion, playing basketball, and varsity cheerleading. After high school graduation, she moved to Washington D.C. to work for the FBI in the fingerprinting department. Her career continued with the federal government as an Administrative Assistant with the weather service at the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), and then at the Department of Commerce. Connie eventually moved to North Carolina to be close to her children and first grandchild where she worked until her retirement at the EPA.

Connie was an amazing Grandma! She absolutely loved spending time with her grandchildren, whether it be playing board games, having sleepovers with

pancake breakfasts, or just eating hamburgers or getting ice cream together. She attended every athletic game and school event possible that each grandchild had, and was always the loudest cheerleader.

She enjoyed hosting dinner parties, gardening, spending time with friends, going to the beach, traveling, driving in her convertible, trips to visit family in Ohio, going to her class reunions, riding horses, playing pickleball, sitting around a bonfire, hard ice cream, going to the State Fair to see the animals, and watching Ohio State football and basketball games (Go Bucks!), and loved being surrounded by her family.

Connie loved people, and being a greeter at her church came naturally for her. She had a gift for making people feel welcome, and was simply the best hugger. She spent lots of time volunteering throughout her life including a mission trip to help clean up after Hurricane Katrina, making blankets for the needy, helping out with the food pantry at Western Wake Crisis Ministry, serving with the women's prison ministry, driving an elderly couple to church, and assisting those in need with the Center for Volunteer Caregiving. Connie continued to try to help people even when her health began to decline. It was difficult for her to accept help, but she was always very thankful for all the things people did for her.

We will miss her on this side of eternity, but rejoice that she is fully healed and at peace. We take comfort in all the special memories we have with her and know we will one day meet again.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, January 20, 2024 at 11:00 a.m. at The Peak Church, 1200 N. Salem St. Apex, NC 27502. A dessert reception will follow

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to Western Wake

Crisis Ministry

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

JAN **20**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Peak Methodist Church
1200 N Salem St.
Apex, NC 27502

Tribute Wall



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Connie Ball MacGill.* ”



January 18, 2024 at 01:35 PM



“ *Her joy and smile will be missed by many !* ”

Jac Dill - January 18, 2024 at 10:35 AM



“ *Cristina, Gerhard & Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Connie Ball MacGill.* ”

Cristina, Gerhard & Family - January 17, 2024 at 08:30 PM



“ *Fiery Lily and Rose was purchased for the family of Connie Ball MacGill.* ”



January 17, 2024 at 08:30 PM

BJ

“ *Bob and Jean purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Connie Ball MacGill.*



Bob and Jean - January 16, 2024 at 01:08 PM

TW

“ *I was quite shocked and saddened to learn of Connie's passing. I knew her well as a classmate in the Groveport Madison H.S. Great Class of 1964. She was our head cheerleader and homecoming queen and one of the prettiest and most popular girls not only in our class, but in our entire school. But, most importantly, Connie was one of the nicest, sweetest people I have ever known. She will surely be missed by everyone who ever knew her. God Bless, and Rest in Peace Connie.*

Tom Wilson

Thomas Wilson - January 16, 2024 at 10:50 AM

MV

Mike and Pia

Connie was a life-long friend of ours. We have so many happy memories of our many family get togethers. Connie was always of happy spirit and Pia thought of her as a sister. We were fortunate to get to see her last thanksgiving and share many wonderful memories of our friendship. We know Connie is in heaven now in the presence of our Heavenly Father. We will miss you temporarily and be with you again eternally.

Michael and Pia Vammino - February 05, 2024 at 12:42 PM