



Ninette Sue Newman

January 11, 1939 - September 4, 2016

Lakeland – Ninette Sue “Mrs. Nine” Newman, 77, passed away Sept. 4, 2016. Ninette was born in Washington Court House, OH on Jan. 11, 1939. For over 30 years, “Mrs. Nine” dedicated her life to caring for children through her career in child care at Highland City Elementary and Valleyview Elementary School. Ninette was preceded in death by her first husband, Harry Raymond Nichols, and her second husband, Bill Newman; daughter, Penny Sue Flanagan. She is survived by her children, Barbara (Kevin) Chapnick, Tina (Thom) Simon, Billie Jo (Joe) Mandes and Will (Tonia Cope) Newman; sisters, Judy Riley and Pam Bennett; brother, Bobby Edgington; 10 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren. Visitation will be Mon. (Sept. 12th) from 6-7 p.m. at Gentry Morrison Southside Chapel, Lakeland, FL. Funeral services will follow at 7 p.m. at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to kidsPACK, 3725 Northside Frontage Rd. #1, Lakeland, FL 33810

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **12.** 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Gentry-Morrison Funeral Homes - Southside Chapel
1727 Bartow Road
Lakeland, FL 33801
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Funeral Service

SEP **12.** 7:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Gentry-Morrison Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Ninette Sue Newman*



Gentry-Morrison Funeral Homes - September 08, 2016 at 09:11 AM

LC

Very nice tribute. She was a very nice lady who I always known as Cookie and was the mother to my very good friend Penny who we lost years ago but now mother and daughter will be together again. R.I.P. You will be greatly missed. Your friend Linda Cramer

Linda Cramer - September 08, 2016 at 12:26 PM

TN

This is Will's step mom Ninette Newman. We love the Tribute put together for her..... She will be missed!

Tonia Newman - September 08, 2016 at 05:12 PM

JH

That is just lovely! This very nice lady who I always knew as Mrs. Nine of Kidcare, was the rock steady backbone of that place. She was loving and giving and will be missed by so many whose lives she touched. Sweet dreams, lovely lady, your school friend, Jill Horak

Jill Horak - September 08, 2016 at 05:30 PM



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Gentry-Morrison Funeral Homes - September 12, 2016 at 07:23 AM

RH

One of the finest ladies I ever had to pleasure of knowing. I still miss her so much everyday. It's uncanny how many times we all mention her name at work about something or another on a regular basis. Such a wonderful child care giver and educator! 🙏🙏🙏

Rhonda Holton - September 08, 2017 at 07:19 AM

BN

“ *I have been thinking of the right words to say, but then I realize that there are no right words to say. All I can say is it feels like a dream and tomorrow is going to be the worst day of my life. There will be no "goodbyes" only see you soon, as you use to say to me. You are the most caring, positive and loving mother that anyone could ask for. I have a pain in my heart that misses you so and I have so many memories too. I will miss our talks, or lunches on Saturdays (plus the naps afterwards) and days looking for yard sales. MOM, I LOVE YOU AND MISS YOU SO MUCH. I hope you, dad and Penny are raising hell and until we meet again ❤️❤️*

Billie Jo Newman-Mandes - September 11, 2016 at 11:33 PM

TJ

“ Ted & Jean purchased the Garden Accent - "When someone you love..." for the family of Ninette Sue Newman.



Ted & Jean - September 11, 2016 at 11:42 AM

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“ ?? purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Ninette Sue Newman.



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WF

“ Will, Tonia and family purchased the Tender Tribute for the family of Ninette Sue Newman.



Will, Tonia and family - September 08, 2016 at 06:40 PM

LW

“ Mrs. 9 was always there for the children and families at Highland City Elementary. She cared for the children as if they were her own. As principal at HCE, I didn't have to worry about the Kid Care program when she was in charge. I knew I could count on her. Never in a bad mood, always with smiles and hugs for her children. She was a treasure and will be missed. Prayers for her family and the ones who are missing her.

Lisa Yearwood Williams - September 08, 2016 at 05:59 PM

KM

“ Knew Mrs. Nine from both Valleyview & Highland City and will miss her dearly. Always cheered me up when our paths crossed, especially when we worked the lonelier summer months. A dear woman , she'll be missed by so many. Prayers & condolences to her family.
Kim and Kasi Martin



Kim Martin - September 08, 2016 at 05:02 PM

CB

“ I knew Ninette at Valleyview Elementary while I was a teacher there. We often talked and laughed. She was always smiling and herding children. My sympathy to the family. She made a difference in the lives of many children. Cheryl Best

Cheryl Best - September 08, 2016 at 12:03 PM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Ninette Sue Newman.



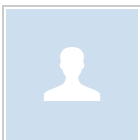
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Gentry-Morrison Funeral Homes - September 08, 2016 at 08:51 AM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ninette Sue Newman.*



September 08, 2016 at 08:16 AM



“ *Where to beginning thank u so much for loving my children as ur own when they were in ur care. Braxton is very upset!! We will miss u so much!! Go rest high on that Mountain ur work on earth is done!!! We love u*

Lynda Poppell - September 08, 2016 at 06:42 AM



“ *Condolences to the family. Mrs. Nine was a a very sweet, caring person. She will be missed.*

Donna Tidwell - September 08, 2016 at 06:33 AM

LP

“ Ms. 9 , Where do I begin. You were truly one of my closest friends. It does not seem real to me that you are gone, I almost called you yesterday. I was heartbroken when I received the news of your passing. I will miss you everyday, more than you know. I can't imagine how excited all the little kids in Heaven must be, now that you are there. No one can ever take your place. I love you my friend and I will never forget you. You were one of the most hard working and most giving people that I have ever met. Until I see you again. Good night my friend. P.S. I hope God has Milky Way candy bars in Heaven.

Laurie Pridgen - September 07, 2016 at 09:50 PM



“ She was more than just a grandmother to my sister and I, She was like our mother. She raised us and gave us the love, guidance and stability that we needed after our mom passed away. She taught me about life, unconditional love, compassion and kindness. She was also one of the funniest people I've ever met. She worked hard taking care of everyone else her entire life. I am grateful that she finally gets a chance to not only relax but she gets to do it in Heaven with my grandpa and my mom. I know she will always be watching over us sending us love and guidance. I am certainly going to miss her though. Just over the past few days I've started to pick up the phone to call her several times only to remember that I can't.

Words could never express what she meant to me or the gratitude I have for all of the things she ever did for me or taught me. I will always love and miss her. <3

Christie Marie - September 07, 2016 at 09:26 PM

KR

“ *My Dear Ms 9...*

How my heart misses you...these last two days at work without you have been so rough. Ms. Laurie and I are trying our best to step up and rise to the expectations that you always surpassed with ease. We just laughed today at how cluttered our teacher's desk always was...we now completely understand. I will miss our daily afternoons of talking before our work hour began and the endless laughs we'd share among each other. I could never find the words to thank you for all you've taught me in the world of child care.. coming from retail, I was completely clueless, but you put your faith in me and let me take my own steps to be in the position I am today. I tell everyone that I have learned from the best of the best. Seeing you as a boss was out of respect, you were so much more to me, you were truly family. The amount of kindness, caring and love within your heart is something I pray to at least have half of one day. We all miss you so much.. the kids miss you so much. Kidcare will never be the same without you, but I know you walk with Laurie and I every day. Keeping guiding us, Ms 9. We will always love & need you. You've finally retired in the most beautiful place. I love you, forever & always. It's not a good-bye, just a see you soon.

-Miss. Kris

Kristen R. - September 07, 2016 at 08:18 PM



“ *Ms. Nine was one of the most caring people I have ever met. She always thought of others before herself, and would do anything to help anyone she knew. She worked hard and was loved by many, children and adults alike. She never failed to call me on my birthday, and when my sister died in 2008, she was there for me at her funeral. We shared our weekly dinners for many years, and I enjoyed and looked forward to them. Although we hadn't gone in the past few months, I was going to call her since school was back in, so we could begin our weekly routine again. I never got the chance. I will miss you, my friend. Until we meet again.*

Gina Brock

Gina Brock - September 07, 2016 at 07:31 PM

QW

Ms. Nine truly was a loving and caring person. Anyway that she could help you she would,all you have to do is just ask and if she could help she would. She loved kids,that's how we meant through Child Care. She loved kids and kids loved her. She was a kind and sweet person,but God has call her home to rest.

Queen Williamson

Queen Williamson - September 07, 2016 at 08:46 PM

TC

“ *My deepest condolences to the family! Mrs.9 took the chance on hiring me when I was only 16 and never turned her back me! You were truly one of a kind,with the biggest heart! You loved everyone one of kids through the years of being in kidcare and they all loved you the same! I still can't believe you're gone and I thank God for all these years of having you in my life,you were like a grandmother to me! I'll forever love and miss you Mrs.9!*

LOVE ALWAYS,TAMMY

Tammy Cyphert - September 07, 2016 at 07:28 PM