



Gail Marvis Redford

January 25, 1954 - January 5, 2021

Gail Marvis Redford departed this earthly life on Tuesday, January 5, 2021, at Lexington Medical Center. She was born January 25, 1954, to the late John and Azzie Lee Redford in Columbia, South Carolina. Gail was a graduate of Boylan-Haven-Mather Academy in the Class of 1971. A lifelong South Carolina State University Bulldog, she earned her undergraduate degree (1975) from South Carolina State as well as her Masters degree in Educational Counseling and her Educational Specialist Degree.

Gail had a passion for education and helping others to be successful, which could be seen in her work and the lives she touched through community activities. Her educational career started in Charleston, South Carolina, where she was a counselor at Burke High School. She was a counselor at Trident Technical College, Adjunct Professor at Palmer College, Program Consultant for the South Carolina Department of Education, and Adjunct Professor at Midlands Technical Community College. She was also involved with South Carolina State University Real Estate Board as a consultant; CEO of Marvis Consulting Co., and Class Leader for the Class of 1975 at SCSU. The class recently received two distinguished awards, in 2016 and 2020, under her leadership. Most recently, Gail received the Community Service Award from SCSU Athletics Department for her unwavering support.

Gail enjoyed spending time with friends and family. She enjoyed traveling,

shopping, and working in her yard. During football season, she could be found at SCSU football games; she arranged her fall schedule according to their games. Always supporting her alma mater, she was a member of the Greater Columbia Alumni Chapter of SCSU. She was also a former member of the Charleston and Columbia chapters of Jack and Jill of America., Inc.

Left to cherish fun and loving memories are her loving and devoted son, Herbert Stent Fielding, Jr. of Columbia; her sister, Gloria R. (Kenny) Faulkner of Winston-Salem, North Carolina; numerous nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Previous Events

Rosary

JAN 12. 6:00 PM (ET)

Palmer Memorial Chapel - Columbia
1200 Fontaine Place
Columbia, SC 29223
(803) 786-6300
palmermemorialchapel@gmail.com
<https://www.palmermemorialchapel.com>

Memorial Service

JAN 13. 12:00 PM (ET)

St. Martin de Porres Catholic Church
2229 Hampton Street
Columbia, SC 29204

Tribute Wall

DP

“*My dear cousin, Gail. Pat and I will continue to bring light into the educational field. Our deep discussions with you gave seeds for thought and the planting of ideas for growth. We miss you so much for your love and wisdom. Still, we see your beautiful light shining in our harvest of leadership.*

Drs. Lemuel and Pat Patterson - March 19 at 09:50 AM



“*Gail Marvis Redford*

October 04, 2023 at 11:33 AM

GD

“*We were saddened to hear of the loss of our dear Sister Gail! She will be missed by all who knew her. Such a sweet soul and generous person. Gail would go out of her way to help you, and when she was committed there was no stopping her. We will always remember her bright smile and joyful laugh!*

“You fought the fight, and you won the crown! Sleep in Heavenly Peace.”

- Ernest and Gwen Coe

Gwen Dixon-Coe - January 13, 2021 at 12:03 PM

SO

“*Gloria, Kenny and the entire family, I hope the love of so many friends sharing the loss of Gail somehow eases the pain. Now, if we do our part, eventually we will be with Gail once again. May God's promises console the family at this time. Recardo and Denise*

Sockwell - January 13, 2021 at 11:51 AM

LG

I was deeply saddened to hear about the passing of such a beautiful Friend. I have so many Fond memories from when Gail was living in Charleston not so long ago. To Stent I trust that You will lean on the Everlasting Arm to help You in the Coming days. Rose and I will be Praying for some healing and Comfort to You and Your Family. Love Leon and Rose Goodwin.

Leon Gooswin - January 15, 2021 at 12:42 AM

 Cora Lee

“ *I will always remember Gail as a sweet and kind person. When we were children her parents would come to Springfield Baptist Church and we would talk and play together after service. My deepest sympathy to the family. Cora (Clinkscales) Lee*

Cora Lee - January 13, 2021 at 11:45 AM

DP

“ *Gail was one that have shown us love, brought us joy, and made us laugh, have given us the lasting gifts of a beautiful life - and blessed our memories forever. My Sincere Sympathy.*

*Davion Petty
SCSU-Alumni & Staff*

Davion L Petty - January 13, 2021 at 09:34 AM

BK

“ *My condolences to the family on the loss of a beautiful lady. With deepest sympathy,*

Barbara Kelly



Barbara Kelly - January 12, 2021 at 11:02 PM

MW

“ I was so sorry to hear of Gail's passing. She was such a sweet person. I met her through my brother Casper who was her classmate at SCSU. Rest in peace my friend, I will miss you.

Mattie Rabb Williams - January 12, 2021 at 08:39 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gail Marvis Redford.



January 12, 2021 at 02:09 PM

RB

“ Renee Bolden sent a virtual gift in memory of Gail Marvis Redford



Renee Bolden - January 12, 2021 at 11:12 AM

RB

My sincere condolences to the family of Gail Redford. She will be missed. She was a soft spoken true friend.

Renee Bolden - January 12, 2021 at 11:16 AM

BO

“ I am beyond words that my friend is gone. She was a warrior. Gail was so sweet with a calm spirt. Gail we will miss you dearly. My condolences to the family. I lift you all up in prayer.
Barbara O'Neal

BARBARA J O'NEAL - January 11, 2021 at 09:41 PM

JG

“ *It is with profound sadness that we share in the passing away of our dear friend and mom. Gail was known for her beautiful smile. She always greeted you with that smile and shared words of wisdom. Serving the Columbia Chapter of Jack and Jill with her was my distinct pleasure.*

She may have departed from our lives, but never from our heart.
Jodi Gallman

Jodi Gallman - January 11, 2021 at 04:41 PM

YP

“ *Sincere condolences to the family. I remember Gail and that friendly smile, and the many conversations we would have as we would visit after Mass at St. Martin de Porres. She was such a kind person, always willing to help and assist others. She will surely be missed. May her Soul Rest In Peace! 🙏*

Yvonne Whaley-Pygatt

yvonne Pygatt - January 11, 2021 at 02:39 PM



HC

“ *Gail will be remembered by me as friend who loved our Alma mater, SCSU. We would see each other surly during football season which is a passion for the two of us. Gail will be missed earthly but her love and smile will live forever in my mind and in many others, I am sure.*

Helen A Corbett-Brandyburg SCSU '74 '75

Helen A Corbett-Brandyburg - January 11, 2021 at 01:25 PM

JM

“ Our condolences to the family of Gail Marvis Redford, our hearts are saddened by her passing. We will truly miss Gail, however our lives have been blessed by having and her wonderful family in our lives. Gwendolyn and Julia Meadows.

Julia Meadows - January 11, 2021 at 11:59 AM

MR

To the family of Gail, it was a pleasure to have known Gail during our years at SCSU. We also enjoyed special moments at home games and especially Homecoming. Please remember the good times that you shared in order to bring you comfort. Love and Prayers, Martha Scott Riley

Martha Riley - January 11, 2021 at 06:08 PM

BS

My sympathy and prayers to the family Gail will be truly missed. Though I was not a SCSU Bulldog, we traveled, with another friend to Colorado Springs and several football games in Orlando after I returned to Birmingham. We had another trip planned for this summer that was cancelled because of Covid. It was a pleasure to know you, and to have a chance to meet and become friends with your sister and family. Will miss our trips and you.

Bettie Jones Smith - January 11, 2021 at 11:01 PM

LP

We Are Kin: For four generations Gail and I shared our family ties and re-told the stories that we were taught. 1st generation, my grandfather Lemuel Strother and her grandfather Booz Cunningham lived together as brothers although they were cousins. 2nd generation, Their daughters were teachers and during off seasons (planting-harvest) would go to NYC as domestic help working in Jewish homes, returning after the South's harvest to teach kids in small rural schools. 3rd generation, Gail and I attended private school (BHMA) in Camden. It was easier since Gloria, her sister, had lit a path to follow before us at Mather. Later in Charleston, we worked in education together. Gail worked at (Palmer's Trident Tech) ,it was the school-business partner to my elementary school (Sanders-Clyde) I was the school based chair. Empowering kids toward leadership and economic success , Chip Jackson, Jim Edwards, Gail and I enjoyed our work together. Next, Gail worked for the SC Dept. of Ed. consultant, as did I (teacher-specialist). 4th Gen. My daughter moves in with Gail's mom while working her 1st job after Columbia College. My daughter attends the same family church First Nazareth Baptist. Then, Gail and I went to graduate school SCSU together in educ. leadership classes . Afterwards, my mom and my family moved into Gail's mom house. We shared meals and visits. God put us in each others lives for generations. I am so blessed she is my cousin and we would talk and share the details of these stories and say Thank you, I love you to one another. For We Are Kin. We are God's Light.

lemuel patterson - January 12, 2021 at 05:34 PM

DS

My heart cries with sadness and spills with love. Gail and I grew close during my last year with the SC Department of Education. After retirement, we would meet at the gym and have chats and laughter. I am thankful that she was able to answer my call on last Sunday to hear me tell her that I love her. To God be the glory for the life of Gail.Redford!

Dr. Phyllis W. Sanders - January 12, 2021 at 06:09 PM

SM

Stent, Gloria & Gail's family, I am one of many classmates of Gail from SC State. Since graduating, I I had the opportunity to interact with Gail on a more intimate basis. It was fun and engaging. Gail was truly a motivator and a fearless leader. I will miss her presence but I will not forget her. May the fond memories that you have of Gail sustain you for years to come.

Shirley Blanding Madison - January 13, 2021 at 07:42 AM