



## Dorothy Kazue Yoshimoto Waller

February 4, 1927 - April 27, 2022

WALLER, Dorothy Kazue, 95, resident of Prattville, AL, passed away on Wednesday, April 27, 2022. Funeral services will be held on Saturday, April 30, 2022 at First Presbyterian Church at 11:00 a.m. with Rev. Bryant Hansen officiating. The family will receive friends at the church on Saturday from 10:00 am until 11:00 am. Mrs. Waller was a high school teacher for 17 years. She was on the Autauga Co Board of Education for 18 years and retired from United States Air Force. She was preceded in death by her husband, Joseph Waller; parents, Victor and Misao Yoshimoto and sister, Emiko Yoshimoto. Mrs. Waller is survived by her daughter, Pamela Hattemer (Thomas); two grandchildren, Robert Hattemer (Brandy) and Barbara McCrary (Zac); extended family and friends. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made in her honor to First Presbyterian Church.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 30. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

First Presbyterian Church of Prattville  
211 S. Chestnut St.  
Prattville, AL 36067

## Service

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# Tribute Wall

PO

“ Hands down the *BEST Teacher I ever had!!! I loved that woman and I loved how patriotic and loving her America! She never forgot what a privilege we all had for being American and citizenship was a gift. Makes sense she was an expert in Government and economics. Best classes ever! I think 🤔 I had her sophomore, Definitely Junior and senior years. Now she commanded respect and she also gave respect .I cannot recall one “discipline “ incident she encountered with any student. No going to the principals office with Mrs Waller! She handled her class like a five star General. Love you DOT WALLER! Rest high on that Mountain beautiful lady ❤️💕🙏😊*

P Mary OConnor - May 24, 2024 at 11:37 AM

RT

“ Mrs. Waller was my teacher in 11th grade. She always made class interesting with giving us 1 m&m for a correct answer. She was also known for drawing smiley faces on students noses when they fell asleep in her class. She was on of my favorite teachers.

Randy Tanner - June 15, 2022 at 10:07 PM

DP

“ What a great teacher, patriot, and friend! This will be a very different place without Mrs. Waller. I had her my sophomore and senior years back in the 70's. What a passionate teacher with a huge love of country. I have always cherished my memories of her classes and the 10 and 15 cent fines for chewing gum and the m&m rewards for class participation. Rest in Peace Ms Waller we love you!

dennis price - May 10, 2022 at 08:10 PM

JA

“ Mrs. Waller was one of the most influential teachers that I had in high school. She definitely had her own unique way of getting you on board! Such a caring educator and proud American citizen. I know many of my class mates (1984) felt the same way. I send my most sincere condolences to the family. RIP Mrs. Waller.....

Greenville, SC

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**Joe B Adkins** - May 02, 2022 at 03:03 PM

CA

“ All that knew Mrs Waller loved her. She was a great person and will be missed until we see her again.

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**Chan Aldridge** - May 01, 2022 at 08:21 AM

JS

“ Mrs. Waller was a huge part of my wonder years growing up in the 60s & 70s. Not only at school but church at First Pres. My parents loved her also.

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**Jeff Schannep** - May 01, 2022 at 05:58 AM

BS

“ I was in Mrs. Waller's class my senior year 1977. She is one of a few teachers I remember for her passion to teach and improve her students. More for making them better people than passing courses.

I remember she shared that she had been interned with her family during WWII. Yet she loved America and told us we should as well. I was privileged to know her.

I am sure she is in Heaven now. Praying comfort for her family. Bob Stearnes

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**Bob Stearnes** - April 30, 2022 at 08:57 PM

TP

“ I had Mrs. Waller for Economics in high school (class of 1982). She was an excellent teacher who cared about her students. She is one of a handful of teachers who has a special place in my heart. Deepest condolences for your loss. Tracy (Roy) Peacock.

Tracy Peacock - April 30, 2022 at 08:22 PM

KH

“ Prayers and condolences for Ms. Wallers family. She was my teacher in high school and made learning interesting!



Kennetha Mims Hall - April 29, 2022 at 07:45 AM

KL

“ Mrs. Waller was so passionate not only about teaching academics but about the overall lives of her students. She impacted so many lives. May she rest in peace.

Kim Lett - April 29, 2022 at 07:41 AM

M7

“ Mrs. Waller taught me more than required by the Board of Education. She had tremendous influence, kindness, spunk, and personality. I was fortunate to encounter and spend time with her as an adult, also. She was one of a very few teachers who truly impacted my high school experience. My condolences to her family.

Millie Smedley McHugh Class of 76 - April 29, 2022 at 07:16 AM

CM

“ *What a memorable character Ms. Waller was! Who could ever forget her? May she Rest In Peace and may God comfort her family and loved ones.*

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**Cyndi Griffin Martin** - April 29, 2022 at 05:06 AM

TW

“ *She really was the best teacher ever! You wanted to learn what she was teaching. You better not let her find out that you didn't have a date for any upcoming event...she would try to fix you up. I believe she's the reason why I have such a love for M&M's! RIP sweet lady!*

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**Terri Locke Wesley** - April 28, 2022 at 10:47 PM

PM

“ *I was never in Mrs. Waller's class, but she was advisor for the National Honor Society. She wanted all students to take full advantage of all educational opportunities and be the best person they could be. She was influential as a teacher, a great advocate as a member of the Board of Education, and the most patriotic woman I think I've ever known. What a blessing she was to all around her.*

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**Patty Macready** - April 28, 2022 at 09:37 PM

TJ

“ *I am so sorry to hear about Mrs. Dot passing away. Mrs. Dot was a kind, caring, and smart lady. You always knew where you “stood” with her. She served on the Autauga Prattville Public Library Board for several years. My mother, Mary Ellen Williams appreciated Mrs. Dot so much and considered her a friend. Your family is in my thoughts and prayers. Tammy Jones*

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**Tammy Jones** - April 28, 2022 at 09:32 PM



“ *She was one of my favorite teachers. Prayers for the family.* ”



Robin Groome - April 28, 2022 at 09:11 PM



“ *Beautiful soul loved by this whole community. Committed to the students that she loved. We will miss you and Waller.* ”



lorie wyatt hull - April 28, 2022 at 09:07 PM



*Ms Waller*

lorie wyatt hull - April 28, 2022 at 09:08 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Dorothy Kazue Yoshimoto Waller.* ”



April 28, 2022 at 08:59 PM



“ *Mrs. Waller was the BEST government and economic teacher ever !! She made class a fun experience and we all tried our hardest to earn her M&M rewards ! RIP my favorite teacher!!* ”

Donna Warren - April 28, 2022 at 08:53 PM

KF

“ Mrs. Waller was such a compassionate teacher that cared about her students.

Prayers for peace and comfort for her family.



Karen Freeman - April 28, 2022 at 08:33 PM

DG

“ Mrs. Waller was my absolute favorite teacher in high school. She was hilarious, encouraged her students, and kept us full on M&Ms. Prayers for her and her family!! 🙏🙏

Dan Gates - April 28, 2022 at 07:23 PM

KH

“ Mrs. Waller was one of my favorite teachers and I will never forget her. She was so kind and helpful. Prayers for the family.

Karen Nipper Hurst - April 28, 2022 at 05:07 PM

DA

“ She was one of my favorite teachers. RIP Mrs Waller. You will never be forgotten. 🌹🌿🌿

Debby Arsenault - April 28, 2022 at 04:34 PM

DA

“ Debby Arsenault lit a candle in memory of Dorothy Kazue Yoshimoto Waller



Debby Arsenault - April 28, 2022 at 04:32 PM



“ *So sad to hear this. She was by far the BEST teacher I ever had. Great Lady!!!*

Jeff Wainwright - April 28, 2022 at 02:36 PM



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“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Dorothy Kazue Yoshimoto Waller.*



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