



## Rosa Mitchell Guerke

March 21, 1922 - August 4, 2017

Rosa Mitchell Guerke of Mooresville, North Carolina passed away on August 4, 2017. Rosa was born in Baltimore, Maryland on March 21, 1922. In 1940, Rosa married Ralph Martis Guerke. The two of them settled in Cedar Grove, New Jersey, where they lived in the same home on Franklin Street for 64 years until relocating to Mooresville, North Carolina in order to be closer to family. At the age of 40, Rosa went back to college to earn her Bachelor degree. She then went on to teach elementary students for over 20 years. Never one to sit idle, Rosa was a fixture within the Cedar Grove community, serving as President of the Junior Women's Club, the Garden Club and PTA. Additionally, Rosa served as Vice President of the Board of Education for nine years, during which time she oversaw the building of four elementary/middle schools and one high school. Not only was Rosa's leadership and community involvement indispensable, but her energy and infectious joy of life positively impacted every one of the lives she touched. People gravitated to her and Rosa was always the center of attention without asking to be. Her amazing grace, warmth, positive spirit and love for others will be greatly missed, but will forever live on. Rosa is survived by her daughter, Lynne Baunach; her son and his wife, Lawrence and Gail Guerke; grandchildren, Brad Guerke, Kira Guerke and her husband Asher Anthes, Dr. Dawn Baunach and her husband, Dr. Jeff Mullis, and Mark Baunach, his wife, Shirley, and their children (Rosa's great-grandchildren) Paige, James and Zachary. Rosa was preceded in death by her parents, Walter and Eutha, and her husband, Ralph. She was interned at Glenwood Memorial Park located in Mooresville, NC. Cavin-Cook Funeral Home & Crematory, Mooresville, is serving the Guerke family. Condolences may be made to the family at [www.cavin-cook.com](http://www.cavin-cook.com).

# Tribute Wall



“ *Rosa Mitchell Guerke*

February 14, 2021 at 11:24 AM



“ *Rosa Mitchell Guerke*

February 14, 2021 at 11:04 AM



“ *Rosa Mitchell Guerke*

February 14, 2021 at 11:03 AM



“ *Rosa was a lovely lady. She was my friend when she lived at the Villages at Oak Tree. We enjoyed many games of "bunco" together. She always arrived with her #2 Ticonderoga pencil to keep score. She said, "they are the best pencils"! Sincere condolences to your family.*

August 14, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ *I will miss you every minute of every day. I love you. Dawn*

**Dawn Baunach** - August 13, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ *Nana - your amazing life, and how you lived it, made all of ours extraordinary by association. It's impossible not to think of you and not have our hearts immediately stirred to loving emotion. It would also take far too long to describe all of the wonderful ways in which you will be remembered. For a woman who deeply loved life, you were loved by all of us exponentially more. You will forever be in our hearts and our loving thoughts.*

**Mark Baunach** - August 13, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ Mrs. Guerkes family, So very sorry for your loss. I hope you can find the peace and comfort you need. Philipians 4:6,7 has always given me comfort, I hope it does the same for you.

Charlotte, North Carolina

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August 13, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ My deepest condolences to your family. Continue to cherish the memories you had together until you can meet again. May the words at 1 Thessalonians 4:14 comfort your heart knowing there is hope for your loved one.

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**Lisa** - August 13, 2017 at 12:00 AM