



## Madelyn Dayton Lewis

June 1, 1942 - May 24, 2022

Madelyn Dayton Lewis entered peacefully into eternal rest on May 24th, 2022.

Madelyn was born on June 1, 1942, in Canton, North Carolina to Marie and James Woodrow Dayton where she spent her childhood surrounded by the long broad ridges, steep slopes and valleys of the Appalachian Mountains. She would often refer to her childhood home as “God’s Country” and would go on to instill a love of the outdoors and appreciation for resourcefulness, hard work, Christian values and gentle words in her children and grandchildren.

At the age of twenty-seven Madelyn and her husband Theodore Harold Lewis moved to Matthews, North Carolina. It was here that Madelyn and Ted built a home for themselves and their three children, Kevin Eric Lewis, Kelly Lee Lewis and Karen Ruth Lewis Carter. Madelyn was a devoted housewife and a loving mother; she never missed a dance recital, sporting event or school function. She was always available to listen, support and give guidance to her family.

She was also devoted to giving back to her community. Her dedication to her neighborhood was an inspiration to all who knew her. She enjoyed serving on neighborhood associations and played piano for Sunday services at East Baptist Church. Later in her life, she would sit patiently with her grandchildren as they fumbled through her tall stacks of sheet music, happily leading them

through hymns and missed piano keys. She took great comfort in the company of family, friends, pets and neighbors. She particularly loved her dogs, who she would affectionately refer to as her “angels.”

Madelyn was exceptionally proud of her friends and family. She would spend hours lounging in her sitting room beneath the large bay window, engrossed in conversations with her wide circle of friends and family members. During these calls, she would always make a point to relay just how impressed she was with the lives they built for themselves, praising them for their unique strengths and congratulating them on their accomplishments. The quintessential enthusiast, Madelyn will be remembered for her kind smile, words of affirmation and friendly demeanor.

She was preceded in death by her husband of fifty-one years, Theodore Harold Lewis, and her sisters Mary Hollifield and Margaret DuPuy. She is survived by her three children, Kevin Eric Lewis, Kelly Lee Lewis and Karen Ruth Lewis Carter, their spouses, Monica Carriker Lewis and Stephen Brett Carter, five grandchildren, Brittney Sanderson, Joshua Carter, Steven Campbell, Brandi Carpenter, Evans Lewis and six great-grandchildren Lyla Carter, Jaxon Campbell, Rylee Campbell, Megan Gonzalez, Andrew Gonzalez and Kathryn Bryam.

Madelyn's family has given the family of Lowe-Neddo Funeral Home the privilege of caring for her and for them. Her memorial will take place on Thursday June 2nd, 2022 from 6 to 8 pm at Lowe-Neddo Funeral Home in Matthews, North Carolina. In lieu of flowers, please send donations in Madelyn's name to your local animal shelter, humane society or to the Blind Cat Rescue of St. Pauls, North Carolina.

# Previous Events

## Gathering of Friends and Family

JUN 2. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Lowe-Neddo Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Madelyn Dayton Lewis*



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**Lowe-Neddo Funeral Home** - June 02, 2022 at 06:46 PM



“ *Madelyn Dayton Lewis*

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October 05, 2023 at 07:26 AM



“ *Madelyn Dayton Lewis*

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October 24, 2022 at 08:52 PM



“ *Just learned of Madelyn's passing. Del & I have wonderful memories of living next door in Olde Creek. Ted and Madelyn were always, and will always be, very special to us. Our love and sympathy to all of you.*

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**Del & Anita Newhouse** - October 03, 2022 at 02:41 PM

OA

“ *Madelyn was such a beautiful and vital part of our neighborhood for so many many years, and her impact will be felt for many years to come. Our thoughts go out to Madelyn's family, who will always be a part of our community.*

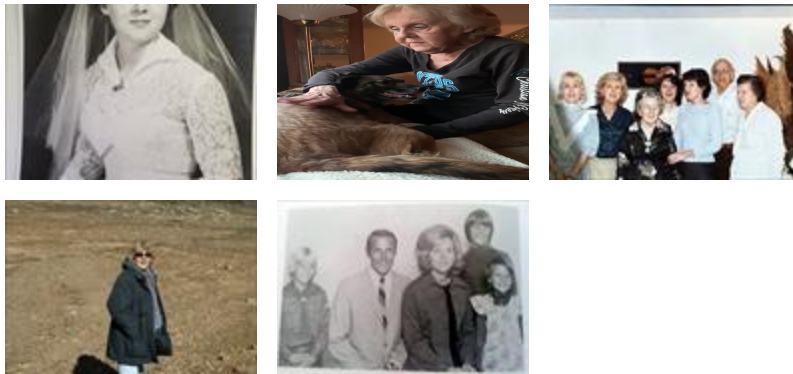
*- Olde Creek Association*

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**Olde Creek Association** - June 30, 2022 at 04:39 AM



“ *36 files added to the album Memories Album*



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**Lowe-Neddo Funeral Home** - June 02, 2022 at 06:46 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Madelyn Dayton Lewis.*



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June 02, 2022 at 11:08 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Madelyn Dayton Lewis.*



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June 01, 2022 at 05:55 PM



“ *With sincere sympathy to Madelyn’s family. I have very fond youthful memories of Madelyn. In school, Madelyn, Juanita, Julie and I were good friends maybe having to do with the fact that we were the tallest in our class! Loved that gal!*

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**Llewellyn Cooper Ostergard** - June 01, 2022 at 11:55 AM



“ *We are happy to have been Madelyn’s neighbor these past 4 years. We’ve enjoyed our visits with her and never left her house without a baked good to share with my family members. Such a kind and interesting neighbor. We will cherish our time together and the memories she left us.*

*The Hanson Family*

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**The Hanson Family** - June 01, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Madelyn Dayton Lewis.*



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June 01, 2022 at 03:27 AM

JL

“ One of my best and closest friends. we had so many wonderful memories For many years we would travel to Cherry Grove to Celebrate her Birthday I will miss her dearly Judy Lowery

Judy Lowery - May 31, 2022 at 05:38 PM

TJ

“ The Stampers- Shirley, Shelly and Jeff purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Madelyn Dayton Lewis.



The Stampers- Shirley, Shelly and Jeff - May 31, 2022 at 10:30 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Madelyn Dayton Lewis.



May 31, 2022 at 10:18 AM



“ Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Madelyn Dayton Lewis.



May 31, 2022 at 09:19 AM

ML

“ *To my wonderful mother in law. You have been a blessing to me.  
Loved you so much*

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**Monica lewis** - May 30, 2022 at 11:02 AM



“ *Many great memories of being with you all here in the mountains as a young child. What a bright light Madelyn was to everyone she came in contact with. She and mom would talk on the phone for hours. I know you will miss her so very much. May the good Lord be with you all during this time.*

*Tim Stiles, Carolyn Stiles*

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**Timothy Stiles** - May 30, 2022 at 06:12 AM