



## Donna Murphy Doelman

April 23, 1962 - March 21, 2025

Donna Murphy Doelman, 62, of Greenwood, Florida, passed away peacefully on March 21, 2025. Donna was born on April 23, 1962, in Salisbury, North Carolina, to Sam and Joncye Murphy.

Donna graduated from Byrnes High School in Duncan, South Carolina and earned her bachelor's degree in Elementary Education and master's degree in special education from Clemson University in Clemson, South Carolina. She began her career as a kindergarten teacher at Pendleton Elementary School. After Donna moved to Florida in 1988, she taught Pre-Kindergarten children with disabilities at Golson Elementary and later became a Pre-Kindergarten Program Specialist for the Jackson County School Board. She then went to work as a FDLRS Consultant for the Panhandle Area Education Consortium where she retired in 2019. She was also an adjunct instructor for Chipola College in both the childcare classes and education degree programs. Donna made it her life's purpose to help children thrive at school. She made a difference in every child's life that she met, whether that be directly through teaching or indirectly through her time as a consultant.

Donna is survived by her parents, Sam and Joncye Murphy, both of Greenwood, FL. Her daughters, Samantha Seigle Wheatley (Richard) of Graceville, FL and Murphy Elizabeth Doelman (Tyler) of Chipley, FL. Her brother, Michael Lee Murphy (Nancy) of Greenwood, FL. Her grandchildren,

Sam Murphy Seigle and Cynthia Jo Wheatley, both of Graceville, FL and her three favorite fur grandbabies, Dexter, Piper Kate, and Kitty Boy.

There will be a memorial service Sunday, March 23, 2025 at 3:00 PM central at the First United Methodist Church in Graceville, FL with Rev. Chris Franklin officiating. The family will receive friends from 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM before service begins.

The family will be at the Murphys home in Greenwood until time for service.

For all who knew Donna, they knew that she was the most loyal Clemson University Tigers fan, so in honor of Donna, we ask that you wear purple and orange for her memorial service. In lieu of flowers, we ask that you donate to Dabo's All-In Team Foundation in honor of her memory. Dabos All-In Team Home [www.dabosallinteam.com](http://www.dabosallinteam.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR **23**. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

First United Methodist Church  
1111 8th Avenue  
Graceville, FL 32440

## Memorial Service

MAR **23**. 3:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ I was so sorry to hear about Donna's passing. We were work colleagues through FDLRS for many years, working at different centers. Donna was always so sweet and kind. I am a Bama fan and knew she was a HUGE Clemson fan. We had many fun but respectful conversations about football season. I also know how proud she was of her daughters. She will missed.

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**Susan L Saunders** - March 24, 2025 at 02:42 PM

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“ I met Donna when I taught her daughter Murphy at Graceville High School. Had some further dealings with her when she was at PAEC. She was not only a gentle soul but someone who truly loved the field of education and ensuring anyone from child to adult had what he or she needed to survive the profession. Her daughter Murphy embodies everything her mother was and I feel very good knowing Donna will live on through Murphy.

*Jeff Edge  
Former GHS teacher  
Current Teacher Cottonwood High School*

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**Jeffrey L. Edge** - March 22, 2025 at 08:03 PM

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“ Our hearts are saddened for the loss of our sweet niece!! Our love and prayers are sent to each family member. She was certainly loved in many places by many people and that was a pure blessing for her. The prayers and love that have been lifted over the past months are a tribute to how loved she was by so many! We have such wonderful memories of Donna throughout her life from her birth until her death! Our tears of loss are comforted by knowing that she is no longer in pain and in a better place. She was an awesome mother, grandmother, daughter, sister, niece, cousin and friend!! We love you, Donna--always and forever!  
Charles and Jeanette Trexler and Family

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**The Trexler's** - March 21, 2025 at 06:02 PM

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“ The Trexler's lit a candle in memory of Donna Doelman



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**The Trexler's** - March 21, 2025 at 05:51 PM