

Shirley Jo DuBois Carey, RN, MSN ,PhD

Age 83, Flowery Branch Ga

January 1, 1936 - January 5, 2019

Preceded in death by parents Joseph and Virginia DuBois, husband, George “Gus” Edward Carey. Survived by children Elizabeth Ann Carey Hope (Jimmy Loo), Constance Jo Carey (Ben Peck), Joanne Rachel Carey, brothers, Richard DuBois (Jan), Dennis Dubois (Susie), sisters, Debi Ann Peterman (Bob), Linda DuBois (Dave).

Grand children, Stephen Randall Elliott, Taylor Brooke Hope (William Leighton), Danielle Lee Bedsole, Madeline Elizabeth Hope Krilla (Kirk), Parker David Hope

Great grandchildren, Braelynn Emma Elliott, Saxton Royce Krilla, Stella Rose Krilla and many nieces, nephews.

Shirley Carey, 83 PhD, was a child of the Depression. She learned early on the value of hard work, adaptability, and grabbing onto opportunities. “As an Agent of Change, I was highly motivated”. She retired in 1999 from Emory University Nell Hodgson Woodruff School of Nursing after serving 27 years on the nursing faculty. Since her first days in nursing, she had been a change agent. She worked at the Catholic hospital in Texas where she first worked in labor and delivery. Later, while working on her master’s project at Children’s Hospital of Buffalo in New York, 1971, she began a new career chapter at Emory, which hired her to teach graduate courses and develop the maternal and child health majors as a clinical focus. She also explored a new medium—educational filmmaking. Among her projects, she produced three highly respected films now in the National Library of Medicine. After a tumultuous struggle to reform the curriculum, Emory’s graduate program was changed to a Clinical Nurse Specialist with focuses on Adult Health, Psychiatric–Mental Health, Maternal and Child Health, and Community–Public Health.

Her educational accomplishments were, BS, Keuka College, 1959; MS, State University of New York 1970, PhD, Emory University 1982. She taught and graduated over 300 students in the course of her tenure at Emory all which still stayed in contact with her over the years seeking advice, recommendations and support. She truly touched each and everyone she knew with compassion, love and integrity.

The family will receive friends and family from 12:00 - 1:00 pm Saturday, January 12, 2019 service will follow at 1:00pm, Memorial Park Funeral Home, 2030 Memorial Park Dr, Gainesville GA, 30504.

In lieu of flowers, mom requested that donations be made to Emory University, Nell Hodgson Woodruff School of Nursing in her memory.