Frances Elizabeth Lamb Richardson | 1952-2014

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Frances Elizabeth Lamb Richardson, of Paradise, died Sunday, Oct. 5, 2014 after a gallant battle with brain cancer. She was 62.

A memorial service will be 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 11 at Faith Community Church in Paradise. A service will also be observed at Beallwood Baptist Church in Columbus, Ga., the following Saturday, Oct. 18, at 1 p.m.

Frances was born May 13, 1952, in Norton, Va., to Robert E. and Frances Blevins Lamb. She lived in Norton, Pikeville, Ky., Richmond, Va., Clarksburg, W.Va., and Columbus, Ga., with her parents and her brother, Robert E. Lamb Jr. She graduated from Washington Irving High School in Clarksburg, W.Va., and earned a bachelor's degree from Carson-Newman College in Tennessee. She received a master's degree in education from Columbus State University in Columbus, Ga.

Frances married James L. (Jimmy) Richardson Jr. Feb. 22, 1975, in Columbus, Ga. She spent her life in service to her Lord, her family, her church and her community. She was a committed Christian, a loving daughter, sister, aunt, wife, mother and grandmother. As a faithful pastor's wife, she worked with youth and senior adults. She taught elementary and special education in Tennessee, Georgia and Texas. Frances also worked as a hospital auxiliary volunteer in Decatur and Bridgeport and served as president of the Rotary Club of Decatur. She was a former board member for Wise Choices Pregnancy Resource Center. Frances also owned and operated Ray of Sunshine Sitting Service of Wise and Northwest Tarrant Counties.

She is survived by her husband, Jim Richardson; children Laura Elizabeth Richardson Hutson and husband, Paul, Nathan Davis Richardson and wife, Missi, and Ellen Lamb Richardson Davis and husband, Brian; grandchildren Matthew Hutson, Jackson Hutson, Grey Richardson, Chandler Richardson, Gage Richardson and Montgomery Davis; brother Robert E. Lamb Jr. and wife, Patty; mother-in-law Sarah Richardson; sisters-in-law Sally Toddy and husband, Dale, and Amy Benson and husband, Mike; nieces Genny Toddy and Betsy Lamb; and nephews Andrew Benson and Griffin Lamb. Frances was preceded in death by her parents, and a son who would have been James Robert Richardson.

Memorials may be made to the Gideons International.