



## Thelma Pauline Wells

February 4, 1923 - January 4, 2022

Thelma Pauline Parker Wells passed away peacefully at home in Orlando, Florida on January 4, 2022.

A resident of Orlando since 2005, Thelma was born on February 4, 1923 in a farmhouse in Ovid, Michigan. She was the fifth of six children born to Joseph and Lillie Neller Parker. Her early education took place in a one room schoolhouse. After completing two years of college she began her teaching career, also in a one room schoolhouse, eventually moving to Detroit to teach in the city. Thelma was introduced to John Wells in 1947; they married six weeks later. Together they raised two daughters, Linda and Debbie. Thelma spent her daughters' early years at home, resuming her teaching career in Detroit in 1964 after earning a bachelor's degree from Wayne State University. She enjoyed being involved in Bible Study Fellowship and Community Bible Study for many years, as well as traveling across the country and overseas following her retirement.

Thelma was known for her good sense of humor and energetic personality. She loved her family, her friends, teaching school, and hosting dinner parties. Most of all she loved her Savior, Jesus, and made sure her daughters grew up in church so they would have an opportunity to know Him, too.

Thelma was predeceased by her parents and siblings: Leona Garber, Bob Parker, Vileta Hathaway, Helen Doherty, and Bill Parker; her husband John and nearly all of her dear friends. She is survived by her daughters Linda Scott (Gil) of Toronto, Debbie Brown (Mike) of Orlando, four grandchildren: Becky Armstrong (Rob) of Toronto, Bill Scott (Amy) of Edmonton, Alberta, Katie Neff (Aaron) of Dayton, Ohio, Beth Foster (Mitchell) of Altadena, California and six great-grandchildren: Maggie, Jack, Ava, Will, Anna and Ethan.

Thelma's family wishes to thank Gentry Park Memory Care in Orlando for the wonderful care they gave Thelma for the past two and a half years – especially Stacey, Ashley, and Sarah. The family is also grateful for the attentive services from AdventHealth Hospice

Care.

Although Thelma will be dearly missed by her family, they are grateful for her nearly 99 years of life, and rejoice that she is now experiencing the joy and healing of Heaven.

A private family gathering will take place at a later date. If desired, friends may make memorial contributions to Cru ([give.cru.org](http://give.cru.org)) or AdventHealth Hospice Care ([www.adventhealth.com/foundation/adventhealth-foundation-central-florida/donate-hospice-care-east-florida](http://www.adventhealth.com/foundation/adventhealth-foundation-central-florida/donate-hospice-care-east-florida)).

# Comments

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“ Thelma Wells was a very special teacher. I had her in Fifth Grade in Detroit Michigan. I also had the pleasure of knowing her and extra day of the week as she and I attended same church on Sundays. She was a very warm and caring person and was, and is, one of my favorite people. Doug Micknass May 9, 2022

**Doug Micknass** - May 09 at 02:13 PM

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“ Thelma was a very good friend of mine from Longwood Baptist Church. She invited me to move in to Chambrel Independent Living where she lives, which I did. We enjoyed a close, loving relationship for approximately 7 years playing cards, Bingo, shopping, dinners and many long hours just chatting. We enjoyed each other's company so much even if it was just talking about our families. Now, I miss Thelma so much, but I do not worry about her anymore. I know that she is with her Father in Heaven. Blessings to all the family.

**Montez McDonald** - March 19 at 05:12 PM



“ Thank you for your kind words, Montez. I remember mom speaking of you often. She loved that Sunday School class at Longwood.

**Linda Scott** - March 29 at 01:24 PM

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“ I met Thelma when I was Debbie's college roomie. She was always kind and treated me very well, as more than her daughter's roommate. I'm sorry she's gone but celebrating the life and legacy she leaves behind.

**Mary Kelly** - January 17 at 02:17 PM



“ Thanks roomie! She loved having you as part of the family :)

**Debbie** - January 23 at 08:49 PM

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“ Thelma was always very kind to us whenever we met her. She has passed along a Godly heritage to her family and friends. We will remember her warm, gracious smile and friendly voice. She will be greatly missed but we are thankful that she is in the loving arms of her Lord And Saviour. Al& Barb Pawlak

**Al & Barb Pawlak** - January 07 at 12:23 PM



“ Thank you Al & Barb!

**Debbie** - January 09 at 10:30 AM



“ Mrs. Wells was my Teacher at Carlton elementary school in Detroit. She made a great impression on me now in my 60's that I still remember her kindness and gentleness.

**John Lambert** - January 09 at 10:33 PM



“ Thank you John!

**Debbie** - January 14 at 10:49 PM

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“ Mrs Wells was my 4th grade teacher at Carleton elementary school. She helped me through a very traumatic year. I will never forget her kind and understanding way. Didn't know at the time that she was a Christian and she was showing me Jesus. Years later I came to know the Lord and found out she attended Ebenezer. I visited her at her home. Truly a lovely person. I am sorry for your loss!

**Heidi Tatum** - January 06 at 08:55 PM



“ Thank you Heidi!

**Debbie** - January 09 at 10:31 AM



“ I'm sure mom loved having you visit her. Thank you, Heidi.

**Linda Wells Scott** - January 09 at 06:17 PM