



Sandy Johnson graduated from Pelham High School in Southwest Georgia in 1961, and started her federal service career with the Social Security Administration in Atlanta. While there, she began taking college courses at night, which was her life-long dream. After working in Atlanta for five years, she transferred to Robins AFB on a training program. She also continued her college education through night classes at Macon Junior College, where she obtained her associate's

degree. Mrs. Johnson graduated with a BBA in 1974 from Georgia College through night classes, sponsored by the base, at the Robins Resident Center. She married Jim Johnson in 1975, and they welcomed Jennifer in 1978 and Jeffrey in 1980.

As her first house was on the north side of town, she and her husband Jim began going to and supporting Northside football games. When Jennifer became a cheerleader at NHS in 1992, they began attending NHS Booster Club meetings. Two years later, Jeff was selected as a member of the golf team as a freshman. Jim offered his assistance during practices and tournaments as he was happy to offer his "expertise" to all those that would listen. He truly loved being involved. During Jeff's senior year, he was chosen to be on the "All Middle Georgia Golf Team." Ironically, this recognition was the first message displayed on the electronic sign in front of the school that was purchased partially with Booster Club fundraising.

After Jim's death in December 1998, Sandy continued to support the Booster Club as much as possible. In 2002, she retired from Civil Service at Robins Air Force Base after 41 years. Along with the Booster Club, she volunteered as a Fair Cracker with the Georgia National Fair in Perry from 2002 until present. During her time with the Booster Club, she assisted in making many sandwiches to feed the football team at the Monday night meetings. Some of the fundraisers were selling barbeque plates, selling food at our Mossy Creek Festival Booth, and selling game program ads. She began assisting Gloria Snider and Judy Phillips in selling t-shirts and sweatshirts at the weekly meetings and home games. They also participated in Spirit Week by selling shirts to students and teachers in the cafeteria daily. After the club purchased a trailer, Judy and Tom Phillips drove it to all home games for us to sell the merchandise.

### *What does Northside High School mean to you?*

After serving in the Booster Club and Executive committee for 26 years, I met many teachers, coaches, and loyal fans, many of whom remain friends to this day. I want to thank the staff, teachers, and coaches for providing my children, Jennifer and Jeffrey with the education and skills to obtain college degrees for their successful careers. While not raised an Eagle, it did not take me long to realize that it was **MY HOME! IT'S GREAT TO BE A NORTHSIDE EAGLE!**