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Former Chattahoochee Technical College Director of Libraries Barbara Niewoehner Moore passed away on Saturday, September 26, 2015. She retired in August 2015 after fifteen years at Chattahoochee and twenty-two years with the State of Georgia. The college hung a wreath and flew college flags at half-staff in honor of her memory and service on Monday, September 28, 2015. She is survived by her mother Mabel Niewoehner, brothers Rob and Hugh Niewoehner, sons Kristoffer and David Moore, ex-husband Terrence Moore, and four nephews.

Barbara grew up in Webster Groves, Missouri with her parents and two younger brothers. She received a BS in chemistry from Lake Erie College and her master of library science from Rutgers University, where she met her future husband. After graduation Barbara married and started her library career in New Orleans, Louisiana. Barbara and her husband then moved to Minnesota, where she worked for the Mankato State University Library. While at Mankato she started a family, completed a second master’s degree in management, and began working with PALS (Project for Automated Library Systems). She then started working for Unisys, after that company purchased the PALS system. While working for Unisys she and her husband divorced, and she moved to the Atlanta area with her children. Barbara left Unisys, worked briefly for Gwinnett County Public Libraries, and became Assistant Director for Public Services at the Southern Polytechnic State University Library. During her time at Southern Polytechnic, she worked on the University System of Georgia’s GIL (GALILEO Integrated Libraries) project and led the university’s transition from the PALS library system to the new GIL Voyager system. She later left Southern Polytechnic to become director of libraries at Chattahoochee Technical College where she finished her career. While at Chattahoochee Tech, Barbara led the college library through the addition of multiple campuses, the addition of electronic books to the system, and a merger with Appalachian Technical and North Metro Technical Colleges.

Barbara was diagnosed with cancer in the fall of 2013 and stayed positive throughout her fight with the disease. She passed peacefully in her sleep, surrounded by family and friends.