



Nancy Parker Boyd

Nancy Parker Boyd graduated from the College of Communication and Information Sciences at The University of Alabama with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Journalism in 1988 before beginning her television broadcast career with TV stations in Georgia and Alabama. After anchoring the news for several years at WAFB in Baton Rouge, she made New Orleans her home where she covered New Orleans and South Louisiana for three decades.

A five-time Emmy Award-winning journalist who served as a morning anchor for WVUE FOX 8 in New Orleans, Boyd was a legend in the community and an inspiration to young aspiring journalists. Her talent, poise and personality brought joy and hope to viewers and their families.

In addition to five Emmy Awards, Boyd received five Edward R. Murrow Awards for reporting and documentary work, as well as the distinguished Suncoast Emmy Silver Circle Award for 25 years of excellence in broadcasting. In 2015, she was honored with UA's College of Communication and Information Sciences Bert Bank Distinguished Service Award and joined the College's Board of Visitors in 2017. She frequently connected with students as a mentor sharing her experiences, advice and her fun-loving spirit.

Boyd passed away in a plane crash while reporting a story on August 16, 2019. A native of Opelika, Alabama, her proudest accomplishments are her children, Parker, Piper and Pierce. Her husband, Glynn Boyd, remains deeply rooted in the New Orleans community, happy to raise their children in the rich culture and traditions of the Crescent City.