



Mary Alice Barnhill Folds

May 12, 1930 - December 10, 2024

In Loving Memory of

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Mary Alice Barnhill Folds, age 94, passed away peacefully into the presence of her Savior on Tuesday, December 10, 2024, at home in Griffin, Georgia. We remember with fondness and love, Mary Alice Folds, whose warmth and kindness brightened the lives of everyone she met. Mary Alice's journey was marked by her faith in God and her deep love for her family, serving as a pillar of strength, support, and joy.

Mary Alice was born May 12, 1930, the tenth of fifteen children, in Converse, Louisiana, to Gordon Francis and Verdie Lee Price Barnhill. Mary Alice was preceded in death by her husband of 42 years, J Paul Folds, Sr. and was the last surviving sibling in her family.

Survivors include her children and their spouses, Donna and Doug Woodford of Florence AL; Debra and Steve Wade of Kathleen, GA; J Paul Jr. and Lea Folds of Griffin, GA; Don and Jan Folds of Royse City, TX. Grandchildren Elizabeth Woodford Hughey and husband Mark; Zach Woodford and wife Melissa; Brad Woodford and wife Ariel; JohnThad Wade and wife Sara

Katherine; Craig Wade and wife Kelsey; MaryKathryn Wade; Nicholas Folds and wife Mimi; Jonathan Folds and wife Kelly; Lane Folds and wife Ashley; David Folds and wife Kathryn, and Tanya Lackey and husband James. Great-grandchildren Abby, Annie, Anna, Ellison, Kai, Freya, Harry, Jack, Mary Madison, Libby, Joe, Maggie, Matthew, Emily, Kailynn, Dache, Seth, Falyn, and Aubrey. Her sister-in-law Gloria Folds Swindle and husband Frank, and numerous nieces and nephews whom she dearly loved.

Mary Alice graduated from Forest High School Forest, Louisiana in 1948. She met the love of her life, J Paul Folds, and they were married two months later on December 27, 1952. She spent most of her life in Delhi, Louisiana, where she was a homemaker. In addition to being a dedicated and loving wife and mother, Mary Alice also loved working in her garden. Throughout her entire life, she held an unwavering faith in God. She was a long-time active member of First Baptist Church in Delhi. She taught SunBeams and was a Sunday School teacher in the eight-year-old department for many years and a member of the WMU. She was honored as Mother of the Year at First Baptist Church in 1977. She was affectionately known as Mama Folds by many children whom she provided childcare for during a fifteen-year period. In 2013 she moved to Florence, Alabama, to live with her daughter Donna, where she was also a member of First Baptist Church, Florence. The family truly appreciates the care given to her this past year by her son and daughter-in-love, J and Lea; Brightmoor Hospice (Kathy Goodrum, Susan Frye, Rebecca Deloach, and Savannah Buchanan) and by her caregivers Mildred Jones, Sue McDonald, and Lisa Canterbury.

A Celebration of Life for Mary Alice Folds will be held on Saturday, December 14, 2024. Visitation will be at First Baptist Church, Delhi, Louisiana at 10:00 followed by the service at 11:00. Rev. Edwin Fuller will officiate. Burial will follow at Epps Cemetery, Epps, Louisiana, where she will be laid to rest beside her loving husband.

The family requests that any memorial tributes be directed to Samaritan's Purse, Turning Point Ministry or the Children's Ministry of FBC, Delhi.

Cemetery Details

Epps Cemetery

Epps, LA

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 14. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM.

First Baptist Church Delhi
Delhi, LA

Service

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