



Joan May

September 7, 1935 - April 3, 2021

(Mary) Joan May of Cedar Bluff, AL and lately of Cartersville, GA, at the age of 85 years joined her much loved husband, H.L. May, Jr. and her eldest son, Tim May in a better place on Friday, April 2, 2021. Her youngest son, Andy May was left with comforting memories of his loving mother. He and his wife, Susan live in Cartersville, GA.

Joan's parents were the late Mary Ruth Arnold Longshore and Andrew Jackson Longshore, Jr. who ran a store in downtown Cedar Bluff, AL, for many years. Most of Joan's life was lived in Cedar Bluff. She graduated from Cedar Bluff High School, married and went to work for Harbin Clinic, later working for the Alabama Highway Department. When her oldest started high school, she attended Jacksonville State University nights and summers to earn her teaching degree including her masters. She loved learning. Joan worked at Centre Elementary and then moved to Cedar Bluff Elementary to teach 4th grade and retired from that position.

As a lifelong member of the Cedar Bluff First United Methodist Church she participated in the Meals on Wheels program. After moving to Cartersville, GA, she was active in Trinity United Methodist Church. She volunteered at the Community Store and was regularly involved in senior citizen activities.

Joan enjoyed reading, often finishing a book in a day. She had a green thumb

to be envied and spent as much time as possible on the beaches of Gulf Shores. She traveled extensively in the US and abroad. The sights of China and Russia she particularly enjoyed.

Left with happy remembrances of their grandmother are the three children of Tim, who was married to the late Cathy Tillery of Leesburg, AL. Those children are: Erin May Dean of Orange Beach, AL, Caroline May of Opelika, AL and Luke May along with his wife Krissy of Daphne, AL. Andy provided another four grandchildren: Drew May with his wife Anna of Cartersville, GA, Mary Beth May Holland and husband, Eric of Villa Rica, GA, Zach May and his brother, Nick May along with his wife, Lacey all from Cartersville, GA.

The jewels of Joan's life were her ten great grandchildren: Jackson May, Maylee Dean, Anndee Allen, Alex Allen, Harrison Holland, Josie Holland, Finnley Holland, Thomas May, Sophia May, and Ava Grace May.

The graveside only service for Joan May will be held on April 5, 2021 at 10:00 AM CST at the Cedar Bluff Cemetery, Cemetery Drive, Cedar Bluff, AL. Brother George Cobb, past pastor, neighbor and friend will be officiating.

Grandsons will serve as Pall Bearers.

Please no flowers. Instead, Joan and family would appreciate your donation to the American Cancer Society.

By mail: American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 22478, Oklahoma City, OK 73123

By phone: call 1-800-227-2345.

Online:

https://donate3.cancer.org/?campaign=CY16MemPage2&giftType=mem&giftTypeMonthlyDisplay=0&_ga=2.229373982.345705399.1617417421-1693458806.1617417421

Cemetery Details

Cedar Bluff Cemetery

Cemetery Drive
Cedar Bluff, AL 35959

Previous Events

Graveside Service

APR 5. 10:00 AM (CT)

Cedar Bluff Cemetery
Cemetery Drive
Cedar Bluff, AL 35959

Tribute Wall



“ *Sending love and prayers of family. She was an aweos.e fourth grade teacher* ”

Kimberly Williamson - April 08, 2021 at 11:08 AM