



Mary Ann Couch Simonton

May 27, 1930 - March 4, 2022

Mary Ann Couch Simonton, age 91, of Lawrenceville, Georgia, died peacefully in the early morning hours of Friday, March 4, 2022, from congestive heart failure. She was preceded in death by her husband James Clifford "J.C." Simonton in 1977.

She is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Debbie Simonton Landress (J.W.), son, Scott Simonton; four grandchildren, Chris Landress (Katie), Leigh Ann Huffstetler (William), Erin Goodman (Matt), and Rachel Simonton; Erin and Rachel's mother, Lynn Simonton; six great grandchildren, Anna and Brooks Landress, Norah Claire and Amelia Huffstetler, Baylee and Avery Goodman; sisters, Venelle Stanley, Edith Kemp (W.T.); sisters-in-law, Kathleen Couch and Lynette Couch; nieces, nephews, great nieces, great nephews, other relatives and a host of friends.

Mrs. Simonton was also preceded in death by her parents, Nesbit and Jimmie Bell Garner Couch; sisters, Evelene Burton (Walt), Margie Williams (H.T.); brothers, Neal, M.G. (Orese), Marlyn (Evelyn), Elkin, Roy and Edgar (Lynette) brothers-in-law, Lanier Simonton (Annie Lee) and John Bennett Simonton (Virginia).

Mrs. Simonton was born in Gwinnett County, Georgia, on May 27, 1930. She grew up in Grayson, Georgia, in a family of eleven children. She graduated from Grayson High School and married James Clifford Simonton in 1948 and enjoyed 29 years of marriage until his untimely death in 1977. She worked at the Lovable Company for several years and became a homemaker and mother after her daughter, Debbie, was born. Mary Ann loved Jesus, her family, and cooking for other people. She always opened her home to Debbie and Scott's friends. She would always be cooking supper for several people each night because many of her family members lived close by to her home. Mary Ann lovingly served as babysitter over the years for several nieces and a nephew. She loved having their friends in her home too. After raising her own two children, she kept all four of her grandchildren until they began school. She cared for more children than anyone could count (children, grandchildren, nieces, nephews, great nieces, great nephews, neighbors and family friends). She chose to stay home to help out her siblings and mothers who worked. This gave her great joy. Mary Ann's freezer, even at age 91, was always full of soup, stews, spaghetti sauce, pies and different delicious food, and you were always expected to help yourself when you came to her home. There were few days visitors left

her home where she didn't give or make you take something home. She loved working in her yard and could grow the most beautiful flowers. She loved watching sports, especially basketball, and was an avid Georgia Tech fan, never willing to cheer for UGA, even though Debbie graduated from Georgia. She was very proud that Couch Middle School was named after her family of thirteen, including her beloved parents. Mary Ann's greatest joy in life was her family. She spoke with great pride about her children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren. She passed her love of cooking to them. She never followed a recipe, she said, "Just until it looks right, honey." She loved playing games with her family and loved watching all sports on television. Her family will miss all the phone calls when they were cooking to get her advice. She was an avid reader that could read four to five books a week from the library and loved word search puzzles. Mary Ann was a loyal member of Lawrenceville First Baptist Church for over 65 years where in her younger years she taught Sunday School and G.A.'s for many years. This southern lady will be deeply missed by her adoring family.

The Service to Honor and Celebrate the Life of Mary Ann Simonton will be held on Monday, March 7, 2022, at 2:00 P.M. at Tom M. Wages Lawrenceville Chapel with Rev. Dr. Lamar Holley and Rev. Inman Houston officiating. Grandson, Chris Landress, will Share Family Memories. Interment will follow at Gwinnett Memorial Park. The family will receive friends beginning at 12:00 o'clock until the hour of the service on Monday at the funeral home. Those desiring may make memorial gifts to Lawrenceville First Baptist Church Building Fund in memory of Mary Ann Couch Simonton. Condolences may be sent or viewed at www.wagesfuneralhome.com. Tom M. Wages Funeral Service, 120 Scenic Highway, Lawrenceville, GA 30046 (770-963-2411) has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Gwinnett Memorial Park

925 U.S. 29, South
Lawrenceville, GA 30046

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 7. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Tom M. Wages Funeral Service - Lawrenceville
120 Scenic Highway
Lawrenceville, GA 30046
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Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall

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“*Connie & I were deeply saddened to hear about Mary Ann's passing. We know how difficult this must be for you. May your memories bring you comfort knowing that she's in a Much Better Place, "Resting in Peace" with our Lord & Savior at The Right Hand of God. Our Sympathies & Condolences are with you & your Entire Family at this Time of Need. Our Prayers are with you. "To God be The Glory"*

Connie & Alan "Kingfish" Saul - March 09 at 01:07 AM

GS

“*Debbie and family, I just learned of your Mother's passing away. You all are in my thoughts and prayers. Ginn Alford Smith*



Ginn Alford Smith - March 07 at 04:15 PM

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“*Mary Ann was a great neighbor and friend. I lived on Still Rd for 55 years and spoke with her often over those years. My prayers for Debbie, Scott and all the family 🙏🙏*

Wanda

wanda (Still) Calamis - March 07 at 09:40 AM

JJ

“*John And Susan Johnson lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Couch Simonton*



John and Susan Johnson - March 06 at 12:22 PM



“ 49 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Tom M. Wages Funeral Service - March 06 at 11:39 AM

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“ *Mrs. Simonton was a kind and sweet woman. She always had a kind word to say and was an excellent giver to people, helper to all and showed her love for the Lord. What a legacy she has left in this world. My sympathy and hugs to the family.*

Sharon Knight Cassidy - March 06 at 07:49 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mary Ann Couch Simonton.*



March 05 at 08:29 PM

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“ *Prayers for all who took care of Aunt Mary Ann over the past month. Especially Debbie who was there every step of the way. She never complained and was spent every day with her mom. She was a devoted daughter and caretaker.*

Prayer to Scott, JW, grandchildren, great grandchildren and remaining sisters. She was a true angel. May she rest in peace until you see her again.

Susan - March 05 at 02:43 PM