



## Anita Pait Bacon

August 17, 1931 - July 3, 2022

Anita Pait Bacon died peacefully at The Oaks at Oakland Plantation on Sunday, July 3, 2022, at the age of 90.

A graveside service officiated by Father Raymond G. Levreault, V.F. will be held at Crown Hill Cemetery on Thursday, July 7, at 10:00 AM. The family will receive friends following the service.

A native of Albany, GA, Anita was the first child of Myers Eugene Pait and Louise Prevatte Pait Ashton. She was preceded in death by her parents and husband, James Lewis (Jimmy) Bacon, Jr., to whom she was married for 68 years.

She is survived by her three children: Bernadette Bacon Kirkland and her husband, Michael, of Highlands, NC, James Lewis Bacon, III and his wife, Gina, of Warwick, GA, and Lacy Bacon Meier and her husband, John, of Woodstock, GA; six grandchildren: Curt Hall, Michael Kirkland, Jr. (Kristine Norton), Andrew Kirkland, Jim Kirkland, Ashley Meier Boswell (Jake), and Mariel Meier Nelson (Billy); three great-grandchildren: Hannah Hall, Pait Hatcher, and Kayden Nelson; siblings Myers Eugene Pait II and Lacy Pait Lee and her husband Spencer, and brother-in-law Dr. William H. (Bill) Bacon, all of Albany.

Anita was a graduate of Albany High School's Class of 1948. She attended Huntingdon College in Montgomery, AL, and had been accepted to the University of Georgia, but a sudden and serious eye condition prevented her from enrolling. She began dating Jimmy and they married at Albany's historic

St. Teresa's Catholic Church, Anita having converted to Catholicism. Those early years of marriage found her caring for both her brother "Bubba" and baby sister, Lacy, while her mother received polio treatment at Warm Springs Rehabilitation Center. Decades of selfless care-giving to members of her family would become the hallmark of Anita's life.

Committed to raising their three children while Jimmy traveled with his job, Anita found time for favorite pastimes such as playing Bridge, decorating the priests' rectory at St. Teresa's for the holidays, joining friends and their families for summer swims at The Camp, creating beautiful garments and decorative items on her sewing machine or art table, and compiling treasured scrapbooks of recipes, photographs, and memorabilia of her family's lives. She was an active member of the Junior League of Albany, serving as its President and appearing in JLA's popular "Follies" theatrical productions. With her children almost grown, Anita returned to her education at Albany Technical School, where she completed the secretarial sciences program. She was hired by Citizens and Southern Bank as executive secretary to Vice President Ed Freeman. Anita considered those many years at C&S to be some of her happiest, with dear friends Betty Cannon and Merrel Callaway working just "across the lobby." Upon retirement from C&S Bank, she followed in her mother's footsteps and began working with the Dougherty County Board of Elections, supporting a number of municipal and county elections over the years.

Anita was a woman of many talents who loved sharing her gifts with others. She was a marvelous seamstress whose masterpieces included dresses for her girls, cocktail attire, prom gowns, and pageant costumes, as well as draperies and multiple home décor items. Anita was renowned for baking the best pound cakes ever, in addition to being an excellent cook in every way. She enjoyed having drinks each evening with Jimmy on the patio and hosting family get-togethers, always with a packed house! When her mother passed away Anita became the reigning matriarch of the extended Prevatte family, and all her life was the "very special" aunt to her nieces and nephews and

their families. She was an accomplished, self-taught artist whose paintings graced the walls of her longtime home with Jimmy and her apartment at The Oaks. In recent years she enjoyed gathering with a special group of friends called "The Mondays."

The family is most appreciative of the loving care given to Anita during her three-plus years living at The Oaks, and is especially grateful for the devotion and attention shown by Salena Metcalf, Virginia Dawson, Leather Western, and Annie Pearl Lewis during that time.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to St. Teresa's Catholic Church, 417 Edgewood Lane, Albany, GA 31707 or Warwick United Methodist Church, 199 Magnolia Street SE, Warwick, GA 31796. To share your thoughts with the Bacon family, you may visit the Kimbrell-Stern website at [www.kimbrellstern.com](http://www.kimbrellstern.com).

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

JUL 7. 10:00 AM (ET)

Crown Hill Cemetery  
1907 Dawson Rd  
Albany, GA 31707  
(229) 883-6600

## Visitation following the service

JUL 7 (ET)

Crown Hill Cemetery  
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Albany, GA 31707  
(229) 883-6600

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Bernie, Jim and Lacy,  
So sorry to hear of the lost of your beautiful mother. She was a  
wonderful woman. Much love to all of you.*

*Janet Cronin Mayo-Smith*

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**Janet Mayo -Smith** - July 20, 2022 at 09:38 PM

TS

“ *My condolences to Anita's family...I always thought she was the  
sweetest!*

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**tammie suess** - July 14, 2022 at 03:31 PM

AS

“ *Blessings for comfort and peace to all the family and friends of this  
lovely and very special lady.*

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**Ann Brim Streat** - July 14, 2022 at 12:21 AM

HB

“ *Our deepest condolences to the family of Anita Bacon. She was a  
wonderful person, mother and friend*

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**Hilliard and Kay Burt** - July 08, 2022 at 08:58 AM

P`

“ *Always a smile and a loving greeting when I would see her at the  
OAKS while visiting my wife's Dad. An earthly light is dimmed but  
surely a Heavenly light is lit !*

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**Price `Corr** - July 07, 2022 at 09:53 PM

CH

“ Will miss this beautiful, funny and kind friend.

Carolyn Hatcher - July 07, 2022 at 02:02 PM

AM

“ I am so very sorry for your loss. I worked at C&S Bank with Anita for many years. She was a very classy lady and a pleasure to be near. My thoughts and prayers are with her family.



Allison Mansfield - July 07, 2022 at 11:36 AM

AH

“ Nita was simply beautiful, inside and out, at every stage of her life. She was always so kind to me personally. I send condolences to all the family and I'm sorry I can't be at the service.

Anita Hudgens - July 07, 2022 at 09:32 AM

MR

“ She was a delightful neighbor for many years and so much fun to be around.

Mary Russell - July 07, 2022 at 09:26 AM



“ Lord knows I'm sure going to miss this lady... I have cried a many of tears this last week, 3 years with her just wasn't enough for me. She was so full of life and had the best sence of humor! I will miss hearing that laugh, seeing your bright smile and eating oreos by the bags with you, but I'm rejoicing that you're reunited with your mother and husband! We'll surely miss you Neet-Neet! I love you forever and a day!

Salena Metcalf - July 06, 2022 at 10:27 PM

CI

“ *Jim and Gina,  
We are so sorry for the loss of your beautiful Mother. We enjoyed reading all the accomplishments she made in her life. I know she was always well spoken of and had so many friends. She will be missed.  
Love, Curtis and Carol*

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**Curtis and Carol Inman** - July 06, 2022 at 09:11 PM

DH

“ *Debbie Hambley lit a candle in memory of  
Anita Pait Bacon*



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**Debbie Hambley** - July 06, 2022 at 06:44 PM

DB

“ *I enjoyed meeting & knowing Mrs Anita at  
C&S Bank many years ago. She was so kind to me & we had some good conversations & discussions, such a classy lady.*



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**Debbie Blanchard** - July 06, 2022 at 06:42 PM

NR

“ *Lacy, Gina and Jim - thinking of you at this time.*

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**Nancy Reimer** - July 05, 2022 at 05:33 PM

CL

“ I will never forget the above & beyond help & encouragement she gave me when I found myself a single parent who needed banking advice. And of course I thought she was beautiful as well as smart and confident. Carol Lee

carol Lee - July 05, 2022 at 02:32 PM

MG

“ Sorry to hear this news of the loss of such a beautiful lady! Marlene Godwin

Marlene Godwin - July 05, 2022 at 12:32 PM

PM

“ Dear family of Anita:  
She was an amazing lady....full of charm and grace.  
I so enjoyed getting to know Anita at C&S Bank for those precious years  
we worked together....  
She was a thoughtful and compassionate woman, who made such a difference  
with her life.  
Know my thoughts and prayers are with each of you was you mourn the loss of  
someone so special....

Patsy Martin - July 05, 2022 at 11:58 AM

JB

“ Juli R. Bruner lit a candle in memory of Anita  
Pait Bacon



Juli R. Bruner - July 05, 2022 at 10:44 AM

RB

“ Dear Bernie, Jim and Lacy,

*I was heartbroken to learn of your mom's passing. She was a beautiful woman both inside and out. She will be missed but I know the heavenly "Monday Group" has welcomed her home with open arms. Peace, prayers, love, hugs and blessings. I will be out of town on Thursday but will be thinking of you all.*

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**Rani Bailey** - July 05, 2022 at 09:44 AM

AR

“ Dear Bernie, Jim and Lacy,

*I was deeply saddened to learn of your mom's passing. She was a very fine lady and I always enjoyed seeing her and talking to her over the years. You all are in our special thoughts and prayers at this time. May wonderful memories sustain and strengthen you in the days ahead. And may she Rest In Peace. With heartfelt sympathy, Al and Mary Jane Rakel*

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**Al Rakel** - July 04, 2022 at 10:31 PM

CI

“ I will always cherish the great memories I have of Anita, Jimmy and the family. Anita and I bonded from the first time I began to work with big Lacy at PPMH. She and I compared many notes about being the oldest sibling of our families. I'll never forget the time Lou-Lou had to be transferred from Morningside Assisted Living to PPMH ER due to an UTI and Anita called the office looking for her sister, Lacy. Anita could not leave the beauty shop at the time to meet the ambulance with Lou-Lou, so she needed Lacy to be available. Since I answered the phone and informed her Lacy was in a meeting, Anita just politely asked if I would go to the ER and be there for her mother. I was more than glad to, and later Anita and I laughed b/c Lou-Lou told the nurse everything she needed to know anyway! Anita was a beautiful person inside and out. I loved her dearly! Keep the memories alive....she lived a great life.

Cathy Ivey - July 04, 2022 at 09:53 PM

CR

“ I worked at C&S Bank with “Miss” Anita. She was always so good to our customers, fellow workmates, & potential new customers. It was always so nice to get to the top of the steps coming from outside or getting to the bottom coming from the 3rd floor. She always had a smile on her face. She really was a great representative for the greatest bank ever.

Connie Richter - July 04, 2022 at 06:11 PM

JB

“ Bruce and I are so sorry for your loss of Anita. What a beautiful, sweet and special lady. Our hearts and sympathy go out to the family. May her memory always be a blessing. Much love, Janie and Bruce Bitterman.



Janie & Bruce Bitterman - July 04, 2022 at 03:36 PM

CH

“ *Carolyn Hatcher lit a candle in memory of Anita Pait Bacon*



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**Carolyn Hatcher** - July 04, 2022 at 07:32 AM