



June E. Higgins Obituary

June 13, 1913 - June 10, 2005

June Eleanor Nofzinger Higgins passed in Albany, Georgia at the home of her daughter, Marilyn Cook, on June 10. She was born on Friday, June 13, 1913 in Swanton, Ohio. It was a date she couldn't forget. She left the Swanton - Toledo area in the early 30's, touring with a group of women from the Beatrice Gardner Dance Studio. At times, they danced on stage between movies. In 1933 she performed at the Albany Theater. She left the group in Miami, Florida to dance in some of the area's better nightclubs. She met Ray Stimmel, a trumpet player. They married and had a daughter Marilyn Mae. The marriage ended in divorce. Her volunteer work included working in the ER at Jackson Memorial Hospital, the USO and Brownie Girl Scouts. Her first aid instructor, whom she later married, was a fireman, E. Pat Higgins. They remained married for almost 60 years. She opened the June Higgins Dance Studio teaching tap and ballet. In the eighties, they moved to the Palm Coast, Florida area. June came to Albany to live with Marilyn and her husband, Don in 1997. June is preceded in death by her husbands, E. Pat Higgins of Nahunta, Georgia and Ray Stimmel of Miami, Florida. She is survived by her daughter, Marilyn and son in law Don Cook; two grandsons: Bob Cook of Pittsburgh, PA and Bill Cook of Amherst, MA and their wives, Christa and Donna; three great grandsons from Pittsburgh: Cameron, Noah and Christian. Special friends from Albany are Harriet Simmons, Betty Jean Knighton, Sandra Jester, Jessica Miller and Jocelyn Moment. Special thanks are given to the Shining Lights Sunday School class of Sherwood Baptist Church and Albany

Community Hospice. Both were very helpful to June in her illness. The remains are being cremated and will be interred in Delta, Ohio. If desired, donations may be made to Albany Community Hospice, P.O. Box 1828, Albany, GA 31702.

Tribute Wall



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“ *THERE IS A LAND
THERE IS A LAND NOT FAR FROM HERE. WHERE LOVE AND
PEACE ABOUND. WHERE JESUS WAITS WITH OPEN ARMS
AND HAPPINESS IS FOUND. IT IS A PLACE WITHOUT DISEASE
WHERE ILLNESS FINDS IT'S CURE AND WRINKLED FACES WE
ONCE KNEW ARE NOW SO FRESH AND PURE. WHERE
LAUGHTER ECHOES THROUGH THE HILLS AND JOY IS
EVERYWHERE. WHERE ROSES BLOOM ETERNALLY AND WE
HAVE NOT A CARE. THERE IS A RIVER FLOWING THERE A
TREE OF LIFE NEARBY AND FATHER GENTLY WIPES AWAY
THE TEARS FROM EVERY EYE.
LOVE ALWAYS, JOCELYN
(POEM BY LARRY HOLLAND)*

Jocelyn Johnson Moment - June 21, 2005 at 12:00 AM

HH

“ Dr. & Mrs. Cook,

I enjoyed the times I got to speak with Miss June about life in Miami, Florida. She was a very interesting person. You two took such good care of her and you know that meant so much to her. You are in our prayers.

-Ben, Holly & Daniel

Holly Heath - June 16, 2005 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ *I knew Mrs. Higgins for the last 4 yrs. She was a beautiful lady and lady she was. She had such a personality that one could not believe. Her grandson Bob and my son Vince were friends in high school. My sincere condolence go out to the family. Deanie*

Deanie Browning Holland - June 12, 2005 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ *Dear Marilyn and Family,
So sorry to see that you loss your mother. My prayers are with you and may God bless you and keep you during your time of sorrow.
Love,
Janice Hagberg*

Janice Hagberg - June 12, 2005 at 12:00 AM

HS

“ June meant a lot to me, and I will miss her very much. She always appreciated my clothes and gave me many nice compliments. I enjoyed sharing my pictures with her and also seeing the pictures of her childhood and Marilyn's. I really liked getting a glimpse of life in the 20's and 30's. And I enjoyed her funny and sometimes caustic comments. She never lost her true personality. I will miss her very much

Harriet Simmons - June 12, 2005 at 12:00 AM