



## Kathryn Gaines Obituary

December 16, 1916 - November 29, 2006

Kathryn Wright Gaines, 89, resident of Perfect Care in Americus, Georgia, died Wednesday, November 29 at Sumter Regional Hospital. The funeral will be held in Rome, Georgia on Monday, December 4. The family will accept friends at Jennings Funeral Home in Rome from 1:00 p.m. ❖ 2:30 p.m. prior to a 3:00 p.m. graveside service at Eastview Cemetery. The family will also accept friends at the home of Dr. and Mrs. John Burns, 2308 Wallington Drive, Albany. Mrs. Gaines, born on December 16, 1916, to Leah Blankenship Wright and Allen L. Wright of Gordon County, had been a life long resident of Rome, Georgia. Seven years ago she moved to Albany, Georgia to live with her only daughter and family. Her survivors include her daughter, Joan Gaines Burns (John), granddaughter, Joan Marie Burns Barcus (Jay), and two nephews, Jerome and Wyatt Webb. While a resident of Rome, Mrs. Gaines was very active in her church at the First Baptist Church of Shannon where she was a member of the choir, WMU, and served as a Sunday school teacher. As a businesswoman, Mrs. Gaines and her late husband of 62 years, James E. Gaines, owned Merle Norman Cosmetic Studio as well as a local grocery store. While a resident of Albany, Mrs. Gaines attended Porterfield United Methodist Church with her family, where she was a member of the Hancock Sunday School class and Jesus 3:16 class. She also attended the XYZ Senior Adult Ministry and UMW Circle. Mrs. Gaines had many hobbies that included crocheting, quilting, china painting, playing Rook and traveling throughout the United States and abroad. It was while she was living at Perfect Care that her

love for painting returned with the completion of sixteen acrylic paintings. The highlight of her life was being a friend and grandmother to her only granddaughter, Joan-Marie Burns Barcus, to whom she was known as Meme. Together they shared a special bond and relationship. Another special relationship that Mrs. Gaines had was with her only sister, Leila Ruth Webb, of Rome. Due to this close relationship, both Mrs. Gaines and her sister passed away on the same day. Memorials may be sent in memory of Kathryn Gaines to Porterfield United Methodist Church, 2200 Dawson Road, Albany, Georgia 31707.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Kathryn Gaines Obituary*

May 22, 2023 at 10:29 AM



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“ *Kathryn Gaines Obituary*

December 24, 2022 at 02:54 AM



“ *Dear Burns abd Gaines family,  
I am sorry to hear of the loss of your mother. I wrote to her for many  
years as a part of the church card ministry. I will keep your family in  
my prayers.*

*Sincerely,*

*Linda and Katie Cauley "Porterfield Friends"*

**Linda Cauley** - December 08, 2006 at 12:00 AM

PH

“ *Mrs Gaines will always hold a special place in my heart. May you keep glad memories and times of celebration with you as you walk this difficult path in life. Joan, John and Joan-Marie - you will remain in my thoughts and prayers not only today but for eternity.*

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**Peggy Hamlin** - December 05, 2006 at 12:00 AM

VM

“ *I feel blessed and honored that the Lord crossed my path with that of Mrs. Gaines. I miss her, and will remember her sweet smile.*

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**VIVIAN MILTON** - December 04, 2006 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ *My dear Joan, truly my love and prayers goes out to you and your family at this difficult time. I pray that you will sense the peace, comfort, and strength that only comes from our Lord. Carleen*

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**Carleen Flowers** - December 04, 2006 at 12:00 AM

LJ

“ *LOVE to all of you, dear friends. Our prayers are for you!!! We do not have to know Meme well to know how special she was to have reared a daughter like you, Joan. You remain in our hearts!!*

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**Lewis and Jeanne** - December 02, 2006 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ *John, Joan and Joan-Marie  
You are all in my thoughts and prayers. I remember how difficult it is  
to lose a mother. I pray that memories and God's love will comfort  
you.*

*Love Bonnie*

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**Bonnie Bushing** - December 01, 2006 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ *I am sorry for your loss. I will keep your family in my prayers during  
this difficult time. Mimi was very special.*

*Love Always,  
Janet Weeks*

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**Janet Weeks** - December 01, 2006 at 12:00 AM

SK

“ *Joan Marie,  
We are sorry to hear about the loss of your grandmother. Praying  
for you and your family during this time. With Sympathy, Scott and  
Mandy Kavanaugh*

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**Scott and Mandy Kavanaugh** - December 01, 2006 at 12:00 AM