



Mrs. Marilyn Malphurs McKinney

May 26, 1924 - April 2, 2018

Marilyn Malphurs McKinney was born May 26, 1924 in San Antonio, Texas to parents, Cyril and Lauralie Luker. She died on April 2, 2018. She was preceded in death by her first husband, Wycliffe H. "Wyc" Malphurs in 1990, and by her second husband, Benjamin F. McKinney in 2015. A funeral service will be held Wednesday April 4, 2018 at 11:00 AM at Kimbrell-Stern with entombment following at Crown Hill Mausoleum. Mr. Bobby McKinney will be officiating. The family will receive friends for visitation on Tuesday from 5:00 to 7:00 PM at Kimbrell-Stern, as well as preceding the service Wednesday from 10:00 to 11:00 AM with the funeral at 11:00 AM at Kimbrell-Stern.

Mrs. McKinney is survived by one sister, Jean Kniesner of Cuyahoga Falls, OH and two daughters, Laura (Bobby) McKinney of Albany, GA and Barbara (Ronnie) Hunter of Nashville, TN. She is also survived by four grandchildren; Katie (Troy) Link, Jeff (Jenny) Hunter, Locke (Vicky) McKinney, and Julie (Brent) Tanner. Her ten great-grandchildren are Thomas Link, Gretchen Link, Frances Tanner, Libby Tanner, Madison Hunter, Macey Hunter, Owen Hunter, Marilyn McKinney, Annabelle McKinney, and James McKinney. All her grandchildren and great-grandchildren reside in Nashville, TN.

Marilyn graduated from Amarillo High School in Amarillo, TX and earned her Bachelor of Business Administration degree from the University of Mexico. She was in Chi Omega Sorority.

After her husband returned from the war they moved to Albany, GA and bought the Pepsi Cola Bottling Company, where she served as

secretary/treasurer. Years later they sold the Pepsi business and, both Wyc and Marilyn, attended the University of Georgia in Athens to earn their Masters degrees in Distributive Education and Accountancy. She taught accounting at Albany Jr. College for six years, rising to the rank of Associate Professor, and then became Comptroller, Chief Business Officer of the college. She was also the acting president of Darton for six months.

Mrs. McKinney was a true servant leader. As an active volunteer she was on the United Way board, serving as Chairman of the Allocations Committee; a Girl Scout leader; and was the neighborhood chairman and president of the Flint River Girl Scout Council. She loved the water aerobics class at the YMCA and was a member of the YMCA Board of Directors, where she served as president. The Albany Women's Club was another place she served as department chairman, treasurer, and president of the club. She was a member of the PEO sisterhood as well as active in the SOWEGA Council on Aging, where where she directed the volunteer tax program. Later, she was president of the Advisory Council of SOWEGA.

She was an avid bridge player and loved the many wonderful friends she made while enjoying her favorite game as well as the many new friends she made after moving to Century Pines in 2016.

However, the most important things in her life were her faith and family. She taught Sunday Scholl for children and served as treasurer for Beattie Road Church of Christ and Westwood Church. She loved being with her family and some of her favorite memories were made when all of the family took vacations together at the beach.

Cemetery Details

Crown Hill Mausoleum

1907 Dawson Rd.
Albany, GA 31707

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 3. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Kimbrell-Stern
1503 Dawson Road
Albany, GA 31707
(229) 883-4152
<https://www.kimbrellstern.com?>

Visitation

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Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *She was such a great woman! She'll forever be in our hearts.* ”



Annabelle - November 05, 2025 at 04:58 PM



“ *Mrs. Marilyn Malphurs McKinney* ”

May 22, 2023 at 10:29 AM



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May 22, 2023 at 01:29 AM



“ *Mrs. Marilyn Malphurs McKinney* ”

December 24, 2022 at 02:54 AM



“ *Very well known and loved lady by many. She will be deeply missed. Hope she finds a Y Water Aerobics Class in Heaven, if not she will start one..... Love to all her family.....* ”



Judy Powell

Judy Powell - April 04, 2018 at 11:32 PM

GD

“ Laura and family, you are in my thoughts and prayers. Rejoice in knowing that to "be absent of the body is to be in the presence of our Lord". Rest assured another angel now watches over you!

Gary Dorough - April 04, 2018 at 09:50 PM

JT

“ Barbara & Ronnie, our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family as you lay your precious mother to rest. We love you! ~ David and Janina Tiner

Janina Tiner - April 03, 2018 at 11:06 PM

DG

“ Don & Robin Gray purchased the Rose Remembrance for the family of Mrs. Marilyn Malphurs McKinney.



Don & Robin Gray - April 03, 2018 at 10:26 PM

RT

“ Rick and Debbie Tanner purchased the Heartwarming Thoughts Boston Fern for the family of Mrs. Marilyn Malphurs McKinney.



Rick and Debbie Tanner - April 03, 2018 at 06:46 PM



“ *Heartwarming Thoughts Boston Fern was purchased for the family of Mrs. Marilyn Malphurs McKinney.*



April 03, 2018 at 02:03 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mrs. Marilyn Malphurs McKinney.*



April 03, 2018 at 10:34 AM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Mrs. Marilyn Malphurs McKinney.*



April 03, 2018 at 09:54 AM



“ *Laura & Bobby please know we send our deepest sympathies. Marilyn's beautiful spirit & her beautiful smile will be missed.*

Dottie & David Zimmermann - April 03, 2018 at 09:53 AM

DS

“ *Laura and Bobby, Please know that your family is in my thoughts and prayers. Marilyn leaves such a legacy for your family!*

Debbie Sutton

Debbie Sutton - April 03, 2018 at 09:44 AM

RM

“ *Marilyn was a wonderful lady who will be missed. Prayers for her family.*

Roger Marietta - April 03, 2018 at 07:04 AM

JD

Bobby, So sorry I missed Ms. Malphurs funeral I was in the hospital in Macon and I just got home. She was a wonderful woman and I enjoyed knowing her.

Joan Darden

Joan Darden - April 08, 2018 at 02:46 PM