



Mrs. Winifred H. Hughes Obituary

June 2, 1921 - June 30, 2014

Winifred Heidenreich Samford O'Conner Hughes 93, of Radium Springs/Albany Georgia passed away on Monday June 30, 2014 at Willson Hospice House.

Wini was born on June 02, 1921 in LaGrange, Georgia to the late John Christian Heidenreich and Winifred Griggs Heidenreich. She attended Lagrange High School, LaGrange College and Alabama Polytechnic Institute (Auburn) where she was a cheerleader and sweetheart of Sigma Chi.

Wini was a homemaker, a Phoebe Putney Pink Lady, a member of the Daughter's of the Confederacy and an active supporter of the Albany Library. In 1957 the Atlanta Journal Constitution named Wini and her husband James H. Samford Couple of the Year.

Wini was featured in many articles for the Albany Herald and in 1956 she was also featured in the Atlanta Journal Constitution for her widely acclaimed culinary talents. For many years, she wrote a cooking school column each week for The Sylvester Tribune.

Wini was a short AND long order cook for many of the throngs of friends and family that trekked in and out of her house daily; no one was denied and she was consulted at all hours, day and night, for her advice or recipes, which

were freely given.

As an animal lover, no passing stray or pet ever went without shelter or food and this extended to the many friends that needed advice or a sympathetic ear to help them through troubled times.

In Wini's later years she took great joy in cooking fish and game for her husband Hill Hughes who was widely known for his hunting, fishing and golfing expertise.

She is survived by her daughter Pat Samford, granddaughter Tiffany and husband John Davidson; great grandchildren Katie and Johnny Davidson of Atlanta, Georgia; Grandson Tommy Blackwood and wife Andrea; great grandchildren Sage and Jetta Blackwood of Atlanta, Georgia. Son James H. Samford, Jr. and wife Becky, granddaughter Rebekah and husband Bradford Nuss of Atlanta, Georgia; grandson James H. Samford III of Columbus, Georgia. Step-daughter Gayle Hughes and her husband Bruce Warren Jr. of Marietta, Georgia; step-grandson Alan Wade Hudson and step-great-granddaughter Alexandria of Marietta, Georgia; step-granddaughter Donna and husband Jared Klewein; step great-grandchildren Samantha and Peyton Klewein, Marietta, Georgia. Step-granddaughter Michele Gray of Tallahassee, Florida: step-grandson Stephen Ramsey, step great-grandchildren Stephen Ramsey Jr., Cody Ramsey and Cameron Ramsey of Tallahassee, Florida.

Preceded her in death were husbands James H. Samford Sr., Roger J. O'Conner, and Hill G. Hughes, parents John Christian Heidenreich, Winifred Griggs Heidenreich Beall, Stepfather Frank Beall, Granddaughter Amanda Louise Samford and Stepdaughter Nancy Hughes Ramsey Smith.

Mrs. Hughes was faithfully and lovingly cared for by Johnnie Kendrick, Michelle Oliver, Virginia Dawson and Anniece Oliver.

On Friday July 11th, 2014 a Celebration of Life will be held at 1 PM at First United Methodist Church for family and friends to remember and celebrate the many wonderful memories and joys shared with Wini over the many years we shared with her.

Those desiring may make memorials to the Albany Humane Society, 1705 W. Oakridge Dr., Albany, Ga 31707 or First United Methodist Church, 307 Flint Ave, Albany, GA 31701.

Tribute Wall



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May 22, 2023 at 10:29 AM



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December 24, 2022 at 02:54 AM



“ *Sending my sympathy and love.*

Gladys Dowdell - Valrico, FL - Friend - July 12, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *Becky and family - so sorry for the loss of your aunt. I remember my mother talking about her and all her accomplishments. I know you will miss her.*

Karen Carow Dees - Vidalia, GA - high school friend - July 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *Pat so sorry to hear about your mama's death. I have so many memories of being at your house and the fun. I was fortunate enough to know your mama a little and know how much better she made the world. Please know you and all your family are in my prayers.*

Phyllis Ross Speir - Leesburg, GA - friend of Pat - July 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Jim and family ... So sorry to hear of the loss of your beautiful Mother... My first memory of moving to Radium Springs (2 houses down on Azalea) was meeting Jimbo and his family. My mom and Wini were friends and my dad used to take Jimbo frog giggin on radium golf course.. I, appreciate you visiting my mom Anne HUGHES through the years... She loved you and your mom. I have passed on my condolences to Becky . I know you have wonderful memories . You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers... Best. Patty Hughes smithSs*

Patty Hughes - Marina del rey, CA - Old neighborhood /high school - July 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM