



Marilyn Ann Hester

October 10, 1940 - December 27, 2025

Marilyn Ann Hester, aged 85, of Lester, passed away peacefully at her residence on Saturday, December 27th, 2025, surrounded by her loving family. She was born on October 10th, 1940, in Peoria, Illinois, to Earl and Mary Keele - Donley.

Marilyn, in her youth, won an award from Warren's Airforce Base for the prettiest girlfriend. She dedicated her life to her children Kathleen and Kevin while working as an office manager at their family's business, Computer Printer Resources. In her later years, Marilyn became an avid antique collector who loved her plants and bears. Warren and Marilyn moved to Lester, Alabama from Peoria, Illinois in 2019 to enjoy spending time with their now grown grandchildren and great grand-children.

Marilyn is lovingly remembered by her husband, Warren Wesley Hester. She leaves behind her brother Charles Donley, daughter, Kathleen Morgan (Veronica Meugniot), as well as her son, Kevin Hester (Robin). Marilyn's legacy continues through her grandchildren, Jennifer Morgan, Candice Randall (Benjamin), Korey Hester, and Jessica (Matt Syme). She is also survived by several beloved great-grandchildren.

Marilyn is preceded in death by her parents, Earl and Mary Donley, and her brother, Dennis Donley.

Friends and family are invited to pay their respects at the visitation, which will be held on Friday, January 2nd, 2026, from 12:00 to 1:45 PM at Limestone Chapel Funeral Home. A private funeral service will be at Legg Cemetery at a later date. The family extends their heartfelt gratitude to Hospice of North Alabama for their compassionate care and dedication during Marilyn's final days. In lieu of flowers, they kindly request that donations be made in Marilyn's memory to your preferred animal shelter.

Cemetery Details

Legg Cemetery

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 2. 12:00 PM - 1:45 PM (CT)

Limestone Chapel Funeral Home
322 Hwy. 31 N.
Athens, AL 35611
(256) 232-1051
info@limestonechapel.com
<https://www.limestonechapel.com/>

Tribute Wall

SH

“ *Rest in peace Marilyn. I know you are in Heaven with our Lord.*

Steve Hamilton - January 07 at 08:05 AM

BP

Warren. Rejoice that you had a life long loving marriage to you beautiful wife. We both can remember the great years together. I too lost my precious sharon 2 years ago, i miss her every minute but know she is well now. Take care of yourself and stay happy.

bruce phelps - January 11 at 07:49 AM

LH

“ *Love Gary Hester planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Marilyn Ann Hester.*

Love Gary Hester - January 01 at 11:11 AM

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“ *Love Gary Hester purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Marilyn Ann Hester.*



Love Gary Hester - January 01 at 11:11 AM

RH

“ 1 file added to the album *Memories Of Marilyn*



Robin Hester - December 31, 2025 at 05:46 PM

RH

“ 2 files added to the album *Memories of Marilyn*



Robin Hester - December 31, 2025 at 05:42 PM

FC

“ *In loving memory of my "little sister" Marilyn. As my best friend (for 74 years now) Chuck's sister, you became my sister and I an adopted son of your loving family. As an only child, this was more important to me than you may have realized. Fun times and warm memories. Of course, when we met, I was a big 8th grader, and you were in the 6th grade. I noticed you were cute, but I didn't tell you. And I see you still are cute. Not me so much. LOL*

In your memory, per your request, I made a donation to an animal shelter. The West Suburban IL Humane Society.

With Love, Fred (Collins)

Fred Collins - December 31, 2025 at 04:07 PM