



## Mary Jean Hammons

April 1, 1933 - February 17, 2015

Mary Jean Hammons of Athens, AL passed away Tuesday, February 17, 2015 at the age of 81. Ms. Hammons was born on April 1, 1933 in Athens, AL to the late Ross Denton Hammons and Ila Goodin Hammons. She was preceded in death by her husband, Bruce Bouchet; sister, Margaret Hammons Lindsay; and, brother, Thomas L. Hammons, Sr. A Celebration of Life will be held Thursday, February 19, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. at Limestone Chapel Funeral Home.

Originally from the Tanner area, Ms. Hammons graduated from Tanner High School.

During the 1950s, Ms. Hammons together with her sister Margaret Lindsay and niece

Betty Taylor were featured on Birmingham and Decatur TV shows. On special occasions, the trio was enhanced with brother, Thomas Lee Hammons.

During this

time, she was employed at Redstone Arsenal as a member of the Von Braun team.

She served as the chartist for this elite group.

With music being the love of her life, she always aspired for greater things. She moved to New York in 1957. Being the creative music director for Oak Publications, she reviewed books for Bob Dylan, Pete Seeger, the Supremes, and many other renowned artists. She won many awards in book design, art direction and photography. After participating in many acting and voice classes, Ms. Hammons started a private school for Actors and Singers while in New York. She became the voice and acting coach for several stars that were on "All my Children" as well as Broadway and the movies. She was also a member of a folk trio called "The All Night Singers" and toured many cities. Ms. Hammons made several recordings with Columbia Records, Cameo-Parkway Records, and Reprise Records (Warner Brothers).

When relocating back to Alabama, she brought her many talents and skills to the area while implementing them thru her private school, On-Stage Seminars for Voice and Acting.

Survivors include five nephews: Bobby Lindsay, Larry Lindsay, Rev. Thomas L. Hammons, Jr., Jerry Hammons, and Dr. John Hammons; two nieces: Betty Lindsay

Taylor and Carol Ann Hammons; sister-in-law, Annette Hammons; eight great nephews;  
six great nieces; five great-great nieces and nine great-great nephews.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Hospice of Limestone County,  
P. O. Box 626, Athens, AL 35612.

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# Tribute Wall

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“ Jean was a beacon of light to all her students & colleagues up north! She understood the power of self expression and gave herself 100% in all her endeavors! Her light continues to shine!

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**Laurie Morris** - February 19, 2015 at 05:36 PM

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“ So sorry for you loss. Ms. Hammons was a wonderful lady and will be missed by all.

*Aleshia Teeples, RN  
Limestone Health Facility*

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“ A woman with 'will power' to get the job done. My aunt and I have sorely missed her.

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**Larry Lindsay** - February 07, 2015 at 05:14 PM