



Mary Jean Newby Duncan

January 1, 1939 - May 1, 2018

Mary Jean Newby Duncan age 79 of Athens, passed away Tuesday, May 1, 2018 at Athens Health and Rehab. Ms. Duncan was born January 1, 1939 in Limestone County, AL to Claude Mason Newby, Jr. and Mary Frances Elmore Newby.

Services will be Saturday, May 12, 2018, 10:00 a.m., at Limestone Chapel Funeral Home with Tony Jones and Candace Perry officiating. Visitation will be Friday, May 11, 2018 from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be in Athens City Cemetery.

Ms. Duncan was a member of First Baptist Church in Athens, and sang in the Church Choir. She was a charter member and past President of Athens Ladies Civitan Club. She was a member of American Legion Ladies Auxiliary Post 49 and was Girls State Chair Person. She was a Realtor and the first female International Realtor in North AL. She was a former member of Athens Limestone County Tourism Association and on Board of Directors. She loved to travel, loved her job and Coco her dog.

Preceded in death by her parents; great-grandchild, Saylor Vickers; brother, Gilbert Newby.

Survived by one son, Victor Duncan and wife, Lorraine of Athens; two

daughters, Julie Moudy and Candace Perry and husband, Russ both of Athens; six grandchildren, Rebecca Mealer and husband, Nick, Corey Rea and wife, Stephanie, Paige Vickers and husband, Seth, Shelby Rea Gurganus and husband, Andrew, Joshua Moudy and Anna Grace Duncan; six great-grandchildren, Abigail Duncan, Keileigh Perry, Braelynn Rea, Scarlett Vickers, Landon Rea and Madison Rea; siblings, Claudene Dean, Paul Newby and wife, June, Billy Wayne Newby, Mike Newby and wife, Brenda and Carolyn Barley and husband, Ray.

Pallbearers will be Corey Rea, Seth Vickers, Nick Mealer, Jeff Mooneyham, Andrew Gurganus and Ken Newby. Honorary pallbearers will be Victor Duncan, Joshua Moudy and David Moudy.

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Tribute Wall

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“ Reminding those whom you support that your thoughts are with them.

Tribute Store - May 11, 2018 at 08:29 AM

SG

“ I just heard of Mary’s passing and I want her family to know how special she was to everyone who knew her. Mary was a ray of sunshine. . I have truly lost a dear friend and I will miss her. We had many good times together but my number 1 memory is when we went to the orient with Pat Glenn and several of our friends from the real estate community. We did some heavy shopping, eating and laughing. Our time having “ high tea at the Peninsula Hotel in Hong Kong” was a blast as well as riding in a TutTut. Heaven is a better, brighter place now. Mary was always looking for the good in people and loving them for just being the self. I will be thinking and praying for the family at this time. You have a lot to be thankful for. She must have given you a lifetime of wonderful memories.

Sara George - May 09, 2018 at 11:58 PM

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“ Mary Jean Newby Duncan

Angie Helms Smith - May 09, 2018 at 04:10 PM

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“ My heartfelt condolences to Mary's family. I cannot express how sorry I am to hear. I knew Mary for many years. She was not only a fellow realtor but also my friend. She will be missed.

I will not be able to attend, but my thoughts and prayers are with you during this time.

Angie Helms Smith - May 09, 2018 at 04:01 PM

AB

“ To Mary's family, you have my sincere condolences. Mary Duncan was my "boss" my dear friend and mentor. I'd known her most of my life, having grown up in Athens near their home and going to the same church and school. But it was while I was working in the photo lab at Winn Dixie that we became real friends. She taught me so much about real estate. She also taught me how to meet new people, go new places, and how to be comfortable in my surroundings. I really enjoyed working as her assistant for those 3 1/2 years. I truly appreciated that she and Claudine came to Mobile for my wedding to Bruce. I'm so sorry that we won't be able to come to the funeral, but please know that she is a LADY I will never forget.

Andrea Fry Phillips Barrett

Andi Barrett - May 08, 2018 at 04:23 PM

DM

“ good evening to duncan family i deeply sad to hear passing of your mother grandmother and great grandmother praying for the family i have enjoy talking to mary once awhile and i enjoy seeing coming to the church services and singing she always smile love her miss her i know yall all will miss her alot she is in heaven may god bless the duncan family

Deborah Moore - May 04, 2018 at 08:18 PM