



Wanda Jean Gaines

December 22, 1935 - April 17, 2015

Frankfort - Services for Wanda Jean Collins Gaines, 79, of Frankfort, will be conducted from Hillcrest Baptist Church at 1pm Tuesday, April 21, 2015, with Rev. Tom Troth and Rev. Vernon Carpenter officiating. Burial will follow in Frankfort Cemetery. Visitation will begin at 12pm Tuesday at the church.

Mrs. Gaines passed away Friday, April 17, 2015, at 7:25am at Bradford Square Nursing Home.

A native of Frankfort, Wanda was born December 22, 1935, one of two daughters of William Linwood and Lida Elizabeth Martin Collins. At age 12, she accepted Christ with the South Benson Creek Baptist Church, and was baptized in Benson Creek near Red Bridge, Frankfort. After graduating from Bridgeport High School, Wanda married her high school sweetheart, Joe Pat Gaines, Sr., on June 23, 1955 at First Baptist Church, Frankfort. During her husband's enlistment in the Marine Corps, she worked for a financial institution before returning to Kentucky to be employed by State Government. Wanda was a homemaker, immaculate flower gardener with a special interests in roses, painted china, and had an eye for antiques. She was a member and former President of the Frankfort Younger Womans Club where she was a model for women's fashions becoming Frankfort's Jackie O to her family and friends. After raising her two sons, Wanda returned to the workforce collecting taxes and assisting with prisoner transport for Franklin

County. She became the right-hand companion for her in-laws, driving them to Florida for the winter, and would return them to Kentucky for the summer. Mrs. Gaines attended Hillcrest Baptist Church.

Left to mourn her passing is her husband of 59 years, Joe Pat Gaines, Sr.; son, John William Gaines, and his wife, Tarrah (Wilson) Gaines, Powder Springs, GA; sister, Ann Linwood Woody Collins Brashears, Louisville. In addition to her parents, Wanda is reunited with her son, Joe Pat Gaines, Jr. in heaven.

Ted Collins, Steve Collins, John Gaines, Steve Smith, Mel Gregory Trivette, Brad Trivette, Billy Caudle, and David Cheek will serve as Pallbearers. To honor Mrs. Gaines' memory and serving as Honorary Pallbearers are Tommy Smith, Stanley Martin, Jr., Tim Gaines, Wayne Smith, Bill Smith, Mark Trivette, Will Trivette, Brian Ramsey, Tommy Greenwell, Trey Greenwell, and Mike Collins.

Flowers are welcome, or expressions of sympathy in Mrs. Gaines' memory are encouraged to the Hillcrest Baptist Church, 684 Devils Hollow Rd, Frankfort, KY 40601.

Arrangements are under the direction of Harrod Brothers Funeral Home; condolences may be shared via the online guest book at www.harrodbrothers.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Wanda Jean Gaines*

October 06, 2023 at 03:15 PM



“ *John and Woody, I just learned today of Wanda's passing. Please know my thoughts are with you and your families. When I read the part about her gardening, it brought a smile to my face. I could picture all the flowers she once had in her yard on Devil's Hollow. She was a very kind woman and no matter where we ran into each other at, she always took time to chat. She will be missed by many.*

Debbie Redmon - May 15, 2015 at 08:14 AM



“ *John,
We want to express our deepest sympathy to you and your family on the passing of your mother. I had so wanted to come by the visitation, but unfortunately, I was not able to leave work that day. Please know that you and Tarrah are in our thoughts and prayers.*

Peggy and Jerry Clatos

Jerry and Peggy Clatos - April 23, 2015 at 05:26 PM

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“ Dear John and Tarrah and family,
We are so sorry to hear of your mom's passing. I know she will be
dearly missed by all. Praise the Lord, we have the hope of eternal
life and can KNOW we will see our loved ones again.
Keeping you in our thoughts and prayers.

With Sympathy,

Paul and Tobi Tate

Paul and Tobi Tate - April 21, 2015 at 04:22 PM

JL

“ Joe Pat: So sorry for your loss. I know you will miss Wanda.
Looking back to when Wanda was in Younger Woman's Club she is
not a person you forget. Us gals remember when she drove up in
her Mustang (I think) and thought how "cool" she looked. We are
unable to make the services as John and I are taking care of my
father, Frank Lewis, and can't get away at this time of day. Our
prayers are with you. May God give you strength needed during this
time of sorrow.

John and Barbara Lykins - April 21, 2015 at 09:34 AM