



## Mary "Frances" Baughman Stiles

April 19, 1927 - August 8, 2023

Mary "Frances" Baughman Stiles, age 96, passed away on August 8, 2023 in Tallahassee,

Florida. She was born in Philippi, West Virginia on April 19, 1927, the oldest daughter of

the late Mary Susan Gainer Baughman Phillips and Hugh Branson Baughman. Frances

attended public school in Barbour County, beginning in a one room school, and graduated

from West Virginia University where she received a bachelor's degree in Home Economics

with an emphasis on Dietetics and Food Research. While at WVU she met the love of her

life, John D. Stiles, in chemistry class. Married September 11, 1949, they began their life in

West Virginia, moved to Jacksonville, FL in 1962 and settled in Tallahassee in 1964.

A registered dietitian, she worked for Camden-Clark Hospital in Parkersburg, West Virginia.

In Tallahassee, she worked for the Leon County School Board at Augusta Raa Middle

School, and various skilled nursing facilities in the area. She also enjoyed working as a

realtor.

Family was of utmost importance to Frances, and she enjoyed many gatherings, both large and small. Her sense of hospitality extended to all she met, and she always ensured there was good food with good company. Frances also firmly believed in the importance of taking care of one's health and the role good food and nutrition plays in healthy living.

She was an active member of Saint Paul's United Methodist Church, the Burleigh Law Sunday School Class and United Methodist Women. Additionally, she was a member of the American Dietetic Association, Alumni Association of WVU and the League of Women Voters.

In addition to her parents, she is predeceased by her sisters Sara Baughman Durst Childs and Alice Baughman Hovey. Frances is survived by her beloved husband, John, her daughters and sons-in-law Susan and David Gill, and Donna and Larry Crawford of Tallahassee, FL. She is survived by six grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren:

Daniel Gill and Reda Rountree, daughters Grace and Ann Elise of Los Angeles; Andrew Gill and Meghan Murphy-Gill, son Albie of Chicago; Pete and Missy Gill, children Mckenzie, Elliot and Josephine of Lakeland, FL; Julia and Paul

Woodward,  
sons John and Mark of Tallahassee; Eric and Lynnea Crawford, daughter  
Emma of  
Orlando, FL; and Lydia and Gio Kelly of Alexandria, VA as well as many  
nieces,  
nephews, great-nieces and nephews, and cousins.

A Visitation will be held from 5:00 - 7:00 pm on Saturday August 12 at Bevis  
Funeral Home with a Service of Death and Resurrection to be held Sunday,  
August 13 at 3:00 pm at Saint Paul's United Methodist Church, with  
internment  
Monday, August 14 at the National Cemetery in Tallahassee. The family  
would like to express their great appreciation to the nurses and staff of Big  
Bend  
Hospice who have shown such wonderful caring, kindness and  
professionalism  
during this long journey.

In lieu of flowers the family requests donations to the Florida United Methodist  
Children's Home or the United Methodist Committee on Relief.

Dayne Parker of Bevis Funeral Home (850-385-2193 or [www.bevisfh.com](http://www.bevisfh.com)) is  
assisting  
the family with their arrangements.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG **12.** 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Bevis Funeral Home & Crematory  
200 John Knox Rd  
Tallahassee, FL 32303  
(850) 385-2193

## Funeral Service

AUG **13.** 3:00 PM (ET)

Saint Paul's United Methodist Church  
1700 N Meridian Rd  
Tallahassee, FL 32303-5699  
(850) 385-5146

## Burial

AUG **14.** 10:00 AM (ET)

Tallahassee National Cemetery  
5015 Apalachee Parkway  
Tallahassee, FL 32311

# Tribute Wall



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Mary "Frances" Baughman Stiles.

August 11, 2023 at 09:08 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Mary "Frances" Baughman Stiles.



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“ Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Mary "Frances" Baughman Stiles.



August 11, 2023 at 12:37 PM



“ The Stiles, Gill, Crawford families have been a Shining Light at Saint Paul's UMC & beyond for many years, which we are grateful for! Our family, along with many others, have enjoyed happy gatherings, with the Stiles family for 60+ years! Remember the good times & share them often...Peace be with you - Wade & Wanda Pierce

W&W Pierce - August 10, 2023 at 11:06 AM