



Mary Dean Moore Ward

January 7, 1936 - May 4, 2023

On May 4, 2023 Jesus opened his arms to greet Mary in heaven. She passed away at home in Tallahassee leaving behind her husband of 66 years John Farrell Ward Sr and her daughter Terry Ward Stevens (Jeff). She was preceded in death by her son, John Ward Jr, her parents Ernest Hayes Moore and Beadye Varie Moore, her siblings Jack Moore, Betty Moore, Linda Creasy, Patty Wells, Carol Ferguson, and Judy Liles. Mary was born in Lauderdale County Alabama in 1936. She graduated from Coffee High School, Florence Alabama, in 1953 and from Caraway Methodist School of Nursing, Birmingham Alabama, in 1956. Mary was a loving Air Force wife traveling across the country with Farrell for 20 years. They settled in Tallahassee in 1972 where they owned and operated The Bath Boutique in the Northwood Mall for many years. Mary was a Registered Nurse who volunteered as a mentor to Candy Strippers in California, as a Red Cross volunteer and as a school nurse volunteer at Leon High School. She spent many Sundays caring for the children in the Nursery at Westminster Presbyterian. Mary was a member of the GFWC Womens Club of Tallahassee enjoying serving the community in a variety of ways. She was a devoted grandmother to Brian Kyle Stevens (lovingly called BK by Grandma) and Kayla Elise Palko (John). Kayla and John blessed her with two great grandchildren Ashlynn and Trip. She is also known as Aunt Mary and survived by numerous nieces and nephews. Mary never met a stranger, hosted many holiday dinners and was a surrogate Mom to many. Family was her world, she opened her home freely and you

never left her house empty handed! There will be a brief graveside ceremony at the Tallahassee National Cemetery on May 19 at 10:00AM. Memorial service will be held at Westminster Presbyterian on Saturday, May 20, at 11:00AM. Susie Mozolic of Bevis Funeral home is handling arrangements for the family. (www.bevisfh.com 850-385=2193)

Cemetery Details

Tallahassee National Cemetery

5015 Apalachee Parkway
Tallahassee, FL 32311

Previous Events

Burial

MAY **19**. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Tallahassee, FL 32311

Celebration of Life

MAY **20**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Westminster Presbyterian Church
4501 Centerville Road
Tallahassee, FL 32307

Tribute Wall



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Mary Dean Moore Ward.* ”



May 18, 2023 at 06:33 PM



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May 13, 2023 at 12:18 PM



“ *Enduring Grace was purchased for the family of Mary Dean Moore Ward.* ”



May 10, 2023 at 08:13 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mary Dean Moore Ward.* ”



May 10, 2023 at 03:00 PM

SM

“ I'm so sorry that I didn't know your mom we would have had a lot to talk about: my mother (and all of her siblings) was born in Lauderdale County and went to Coffee High School! Every summer we trooped back to Florence. What wonderful memories I have of Plum St and Wheeler Damn, as I imagine you do. What wonderful southern ladies north Alabama create! My heart goes out to you and your dad and the rest of your family.

Sheila Merlau - May 09, 2023 at 09:41 PM

TS

Sheila I didn't realize that either. My Grandparents lived on Industry St and we had many a picnic or ball game at Wheeler Dam.

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Terry Ward Stevens - May 11, 2023 at 10:56 AM

MB

“ I remember so often going to Aunt Mary's and Uncle Farrell's house. Loved the warm feeling with them. She grew the most beautiful violets which I grow today and think of her when they bloom. Hugging my Uncle and Cousin Terry. Much love to all my family.

Melodee Bartlett - May 09, 2023 at 07:15 PM

AD

“ A few years ago I visited Terry in Tallahassee. Mrs Ward came by to help change the postop dressings on Terry's hand . She was still a nurse giving TLC to her daughter and I cherish the memory of seeing her gentle expertise care for her daughter. Aggie dallas

Aggie Dallas - May 09, 2023 at 06:39 PM