



Sara Frances Hines Staskiewics

January 30, 1943 - January 7, 2025

Sara Frances Hines Staskiewics, 81, of Tallahassee, Florida, passed away on Tuesday, January 7. Sara was born on a snowy winter night in Somerville, Tennessee, on January 30, 1943, to the late Mildred Tomlin Hines and Joseph Leslie Hines. After attending Fayette County High School, she received her BS from Lambuth University and an MA from Memphis State University. Degrees in hand, Sara left Tennessee in 1965 and spent the rest of her life in Florida – Jacksonville, Hollywood, Fort Lauderdale, Boca Raton – before finally settling in Tallahassee in 1982.

Gregarious and dedicated, Sara devoted her career to serving her community. Her occupations included science teacher, library page, deputy clerk with Leon County Traffic Court, judicial assistant to a circuit judge, and research assistant (Office of Citizen Services) for the executive office of Governor Jeb Bush. She retired in 2003.

Sara grew up in the Oakland Methodist Church but also attended Oakland Presbyterian. As an adult, she was a congregant at various Methodist and Presbyterian churches, including those in Broward and Palm Beach Counties. While living in Tallahassee, she attended St. John's Episcopal Church and later St. Peter's Anglican Cathedral.

A talented artist and musician, Sara enjoyed painting china and playing the

piano. Her other hobbies included traveling the world, seeing live theater, reading quality fiction, tending her garden, and visiting her family and friends. She was a member of the Mary and Martha Guild (St. Peter's Anglican), the Tallahassee Porcelain Art Guild, the Tallahassee Music Guild, and the Springtime Tallahassee Spanish Krewe. Sara was a lifelong environmentalist.

She is survived by her nephew Jay Hines and nieces Amy Hines Johnson and Alana Hines Carter; her great-nephews Ian Hines, Will Jensen, Carter Johnson, and Cody Hines; her great-nieces Maren Hines and Casey Hines; and her many cousins who enriched her life: George Moorman, Mary "Polly" Jenness, Amy Molinero, Michael Jenness, Meg Britt, Margaret Ann Rhea, Janet Griffin, Gordon Tomlin, Tara Horton, Troy Tomlin, Anita Myers, Sandra Sanders, and Jeffery Cooley. Along with her relatives, she counted her very special godchild, Amy King Eker – an outstanding pediatric nurse – as part of her family. Sara is preceded by her brothers James "Jimmy" Hines of Ohio and Robert Hines of Tennessee.

Memorial donations may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. A memorial service celebrating Sara's life will be held at 2:00 pm, Thursday, January 30, 2025, at St. Peter's Anglican Cathedral, 4784 Thomasville Rd. Tallahassee, FL 32309

Todd Wahlquist is assisting the family with their arrangements (850-385-2193, www.bevisfh.com).

Tribute Wall

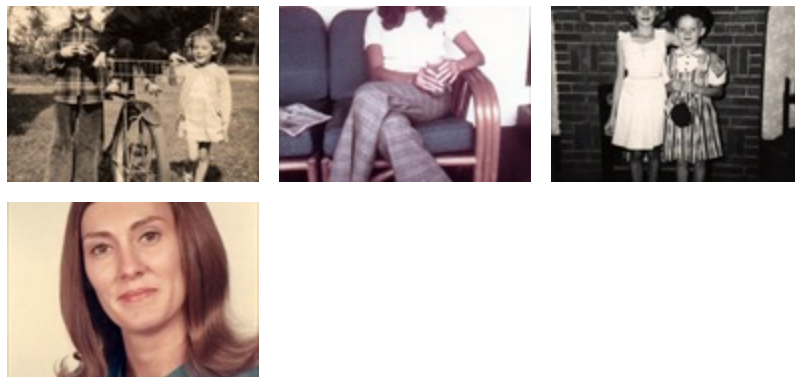
CJ

“ *Happy birthday Sara! You would have been 82! We will celebrate your life today! We all miss you!* ”

Carter Johnson - January 30, 2025 at 09:44 AM

JH

“ *4 files added to the album Hines Family* ”



Jay Hines - January 09, 2025 at 04:04 PM

CJ

“ *As a great-nephew for Sara, I knew she loved me! When Sara walks in a room, she brightens the room up. If I had a bad day at school, and shes on the phone, talking to her would change my day upside down, we all miss you Sara! You were a great addition to the Hines family when you were born. Until we all meet again in heaven, we will always remember you! Rest in peace Sara.* ”



Carter Johnson - January 07, 2025 at 06:29 PM

CC

Sara was a really special friend to me and all my family. She always was able to analyze a situation and give insightful answers. She had a tremendous ability to remember everything she watched or read. Sara cannot be replaced as a friend.

Cheryl Dabbs Chapman - January 12, 2025 at 08:53 PM

JP

Sara and I were suite mates and sorority sisters during our four wonderful years at Lambuth. We spent our college summers as counselors at Camp Miramichée having the best time of our lives. We taught and lived together in Jacksonville, Florida. She was the attendant at my wedding. I moved to Virginia but she sadly stayed in Florida so we didn't get to see each other very much these many years but we always stayed in touch by phone and mail. Sara was a special part of my life. She was an inspiration and a pillar of strength as she bravely fought her many battles with health issues. I will miss her dearly.

Jane Precythe - January 13, 2025 at 07:22 PM

CL

Sarah was a dear friend of our family after moving next door in 1982. She and my mom were especially close. It was a privilege to get to know her better as an adult and friend these recent years since I was a child when she first moved to town. We always thought of Sarah as family and will miss her at our family gatherings. My greatest comfort is that she put her trust in Jesus for her eternal salvation. I look forward to a beautiful reunion in Heaven!

Chuck Lang - January 17, 2025 at 05:02 PM

ER

Sara was a very much loved and cherished friend of our family - we first became close when she was living in Fort Lauderdale. She was a loyal friend who always gave great advice - we shared many happy memories and many laughs. Missing her wonderful loving friendship.



Eileen Ribinson - February 01, 2025 at 04:04 PM