



## Carolyn S. Murdock

March 30, 1924 - December 13, 2023

Carolyn Murdock went to her heavenly home surrounded by her loving family and friends on December 13, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. at the age of 99.

Carolyn has been a faithful member of the Laurel First United Methodist Church. She played the piano in the primary department for many, many years. She also volunteered at the church and the Jones County Community Hospital.

Carolyn graduated from the Laurel City Schools and Jones Junior College.

Carolyn was a former Miss Laurel. She was a gifted ballet and tap dancer as well as a talented pianist who played beautifully until a week before her death. She brought much joy to all who heard her play.

Carolyn was a much-loved secretary and co-worker at Lamar School and Mason School for twenty-eight years.

Carolyn Skaggs married her high school sweetheart, Jack Murdock, on January 13, 1944.

After Jack graduated from flight school they traveled together for further training until Jack was deployed to England as a B-17 Bomber Pilot in World

War II.

After the war Carolyn and Jack made their home in Laurel where they lovingly raised their children.

She is survived by her daughter, Jamie Murdock Coffield (Scott) of Temple, Texas; sons, Bill Murdock of Laurel and Jim Murdock (Lisa) of Petal; grandchildren, Brian Coffield (April) of Temple, Texas, Kate Coffield (Max Martinez) of Austin, Texas, Jackson Murdock (fiancée Hillary Colbert) and Hannah Hadley Murdock of Brandon. She is also survived by five great grandchildren who reside in Texas, Soren Coffield, Atticus Coffield, Lily Coffield and Aidan and Connor Gillian.

A special thank you to Deaconess Hospice and Carolyn's loving and faithful caregivers, Coretta Purdie, Quinett Posey, Sonya Armstrong, Rolisha Strong, Alicia Butler and Liz Freeman; and longtime friend, Elvie Husband. Also, a special thank you to Rickey Nicholson.

A celebration of life will be Tuesday, December 19, 2023 at First United Methodist Church in Laurel with the visitation beginning at 11:00 a.m. followed by the service at 12:00 p.m. Interment will follow in Lake Park Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Laurel First United Methodist Church or the charity of your choice.

Pallbearers will be Bill Murdock, Jim Murdock, Brian Coffield, and Jackson Murdock. Honorary pallbearer is Bobby Stevens.

Memory Chapel is in charge of the arrangements. To sign the online guest book, visit [www.memorychapellaurel.com](http://www.memorychapellaurel.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Lake Park Cemetery

1303 Old Bay Springs Rd  
Laurel, MS 39440

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 19. 11:00 AM (CT)

First United Methodist Church  
420 N 5th Avenue  
Laurel, MS 39440

## Service

DEC 19. 12:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ *Bill, I so wanted to be there for your mother's celebration of life but it is just not possible. Please know you and your family are in my heart, thoughts, and prayers. Love you, Jackie Scrimshire*

Jackie Scrimshire - December 18, 2023 at 09:04 PM



“ *Jamie and Bill,  
Your mother was one of the most precious women that i have ever known. We certainly connected thru her love of flowers and she was always one of my very favorite customers. Thru the years we became friends and i will miss her.*

Lynn Thompson - December 18, 2023 at 11:31 AM

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“ *Bill and Family,  
We are so very sorry to hear of Ms Murdock's passing... She will be missed by many friends and family.. Please know we are praying for all the family. May God bless and keep you and give you comfort in your time of loss.  
Barry & Phyllis Daughdrill*

Phyllis Daughdrill - December 17, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Carolyn S. Murdock.*



December 17, 2023 at 09:46 AM



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December 16, 2023 at 11:04 PM



“ *Quinett Posey lit a candle in memory of Carolyn S. Murdock*



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**Quinett M. Posey** - December 16, 2023 at 04:17 PM



“ *Mrs. Murdock was very sweet to all the kids in the neighborhood. She always had a smile! Great childhood memories on Lake Park Drive. Suzell Sanders Cain*

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**Suzell S Cain** - December 15, 2023 at 05:52 PM



“ *Mrs. Murdock was always so kind and thoughtful. I knew her from Office Products as a customer. A sweet lady.*

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**Debra Blackledge** - December 15, 2023 at 12:06 PM