



Gladys McClure Maxey

December 24, 1927 - January 1, 2015

Gladys McClure Maxey of Ocean Springs passed away on Jan. 1, 2015 at her granddaughter's home in Boonville, IN. at the age of 88. She was born in Ackerman, Ms. on Dec. 24, 1927. She attended Jackson School of Law where she received her law degree and met her husband, George D. Maxey. After graduation they moved to Ellisville, MS, where she worked at Masonite in Laurel as an executive secretary to Frank Lesniack, Masonite president, in order to support her family while her husband began his law practice. Soon after the birth of her son, Ronny, she left Masonite to become a full time mother and housewife when they moved to Laurel in 1955. She was active in numerous groups including bridge and garden clubs and was an area supervisor for the 1960 US Census. She continued her education at JCJC taking courses in education as well as tutoring many aspiring law students including Judge Billy Joe Landrum. Following the death of her husband in 1977 she relocated to Biloxi before making Gulf Oakes Condos in Ocean Springs her final home. She was active in the Gulf Oaks Condo association holding various positions including President and Board of Directors. While there she met Col. Bob Gray, USMC, Ret. who introduced her to golf. She embraced the game joining the Gulf Hills Ladies Golf Association where she held various offices and played until Bob's death and her health forced her to give up the game. Following Hurricane Katrina, which destroyed her condo, she lived initially at the Gulf Hills Hotel where she made many new friends who she referred to as her fellow Katrina refugees. Once construction was

completed, she returned to her beloved condo where she would sit in the swing and watch the sun set daily over the Gulf and enjoy her Gulf Oaks family. Last year in late November, after driving home from church, she fell and broke her hip while picking up a limb in her yard. Shortly thereafter she relocated to her granddaughter's home, only for a short time according to her, to rehab her hip. While in Indiana her health began to steadily decline. She lived in the pool side guest house where her granddaughter could provide her with proper care including around the clock CNAs who constantly doted on her and became her extended family. She was surrounded daily by her loving granddaughter, great grandchildren, and great great grandson. She was preceded in death by her husband, George D. Maxey, her brother Thompson McClure, her mother, Marvel McClure, special friend Bob Gray. She is survived by her son Ron, Ellisville, Ms., her granddaughter Debbie (Brady) Bieber, grandson Jacob, granddaughter Reagon, and great great grandson Reed, all of Boonville, IN. She will be sadly missed by family and friends who will forever remember her for her spunky and tell it like it is attitude. She touched many lives throughout her life and all were better for having known her. Per her request, there will be a brief graveside service at Calhoun Cemetery on Sunday, Jan. 4th at 2 PM. Arrangements by Memory Chapel, Laurel, MS. To view and sign the family guest book, visit www.memorychapel.com.

Tribute Wall

DB

“ We were all so saddened to hear this news. Ms. Gladys was very, very dear to us here at Gulf Hills Hotel and she has been missed. She will forever be our Guardian Angel above to watch over us. I will always love and remember her.

Donna Brown - January 05, 2015 at 05:26 PM

RR

“ Deepest sympathy to your family. May you rest in peace dear friend.

Rodney Robinson - January 04, 2015 at 07:06 PM

SC

“ Debby so sorry for your loss of your grandmother she was truly a southern bell she was so happy with you my heart goes out to your family she will be missed very much

Shelia Crock - January 04, 2015 at 02:33 PM

BM

“ Ron, My thoughts are with you today. ..sorry I cant be there. I loved your Mother dearly, she and your Dad were always so good to me.

Betty Smith McCraney - January 04, 2015 at 12:16 PM

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“ A person that departs from this earth never truly leaves, they are still alive in our hearts and minds, through us, they live on.. Please accept my condolences, she will not be forgotten... My deepest sympathies go out to you and your family. May God give you the comfort and peace that you seek and may the soul of your loved one rest in peace.

Bari Brummett (Bland) - January 04, 2015 at 11:30 AM

BP

“ So sorry for the loss of such a a gracious, happy and genuinely fun person to be around. Gladys was a long time patient at my pharmacy and had a way of raising the spirits of those around her, she always called me by my last name only, which I enjoyed because she reminded me of my Mom. Hate that I did not know she was from The free state of Jones county as I was born there and would have loved to discuss the area, bet she had some great stories. Passing is always magnified when that person is such a great Lady! May the family take refuge in the Word of the Lord!

Burt Patterson - January 04, 2015 at 10:32 AM

CD

“ Gladys McClure Maxey

charles A. Hollingshead, M. D. - January 04, 2015 at 09:57 AM

CF

“ Thinking of you in this difficult time.

Cassie Lashley and family - January 04, 2015 at 09:44 AM

LT

“ So sorry for the loss of your Mother / Grandmother. My prayers are with you and your family .

Linda Maxey Todd - January 04, 2015 at 12:29 AM

FM

“ My prayers are with you Ronnie as you take this journey with your Mom. May you find comfort.

Freda Maxey - January 03, 2015 at 11:47 PM

FH

“ *I never met your grandmother Deb, but I know you loved her a lot. I am so sorry for your loss.*

Fala Hancock - January 03, 2015 at 11:08 PM

RT

“ *Ron: we are very sorry for your loss.*

Randal and Gloria Turner - January 03, 2015 at 04:50 PM

HR

“ *Ron so sorry for you loss, she had a long and good life. Mary Ellen and I send our regards your way, will be thinking of you and your family.*

Harold Rowzee - January 03, 2015 at 03:40 PM