



Jean Singleton

December 30, 1937 - December 11, 2024

Jean Singleton passed away peacefully on Dec. 11, 2024, at Manna Post Acute

Nursing Home from Alzheimer's. She was under the compassionate care of Traditions Hospice for two years.

Jean was the second of ten children born to the late Roland and Mary Edna (Taylor) Howard in Pink Hill, North Carolina. Jean fondly remembered a vault of family life stories and the role she played as caregiver to younger siblings. In 1955 Jean graduated as salutatorian from Pink Hill High School in Pink Hill, NC and found opportunity as a clerk-typist with the Rockefeller Foundation during restoration of Colonial Williamsburg, Virginia. There she discovered a love of history and met Rex Irvin Singleton from North Charleston, SC. They married in 1956 at nearby Yorktown, Virginia where Rex was stationed.

After discharge from the Marines, the newlyweds moved to Central, SC while Rex took classes at Clemson College and Jean worked as a typist for the agriculture department until the birth of Virginia 'Ginny.' Jean was baptized at the Central Baptist Church where they became members during this time. In the early 1960's, they traveled to Messena and Niagara Falls, New York for Rex to work on the Niagara Falls power project. Afterwards, they returned to North Charleston, SC and Linda was born soon after. Charleston was their

home for many years.

Jean was a homemaker, but worked several jobs including the Charleston Army Depot before Anita was born. For several years Jean owned The Olde Dominion Pottery Shoppe inspired by the history, colonial décor and pottery of her beloved Williamsburg. She volunteered as an election worker and later worked in Mayor John E. Bourne, Jr.'s office at the City of North Charleston. She was a Mary Kay Beauty Consultant, a desktop publisher at the Hanahan News, and she sold antiques and collectibles on eBay in later years.

Jean never met a stranger and took interest in people wherever she went. She was quick with a joke and loved dancing, gardening, travel, history and the beautiful things she collected from her years in Charleston and on trips to England with her sisters. She also sewed and made beautiful quilts that her daughters cherish. Her eight sisters and her only brother remained very dear to her, and she was never happier than when they visited her last home in Central, SC where she moved in 2004.

Jean is survived by former husband, Rex Singleton, of North Charleston, SC and their children—Virginia “Ginny” Gardiner (John) of Bend, OR; Linda Wofford (Ben) of Seneca, SC; and Anita Ferree (Chris) of Ellijay, GA. She is also survived by three grandchildren—Adam Schneider of Prineville, OR; Benjamin Wofford (Johanna) of Greenville, SC; and Anna Wofford of Greenville, SC.

Three siblings preceded Jean in death—Margie Dean McMahan, Roland Douglas Howard and Maxine Singleton.

Jean is survived by six sisters—Diana Cauley, Dixie Purves, Grace Shoulars (Ronald), Rose Miller (Jack), Daisy Jenkins and Carmen Fraser.

Jean will be missed by a multitude of nieces and nephews from the Howard and Singleton branches of the family.

A celebration of life service will be held at a later date. The family asks that in lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Pickens County Meals on Wheels, 349 Edgemont Avenue, Liberty, SC or to the charity of your choice.

Mountain View Funerals & Cremations — Seneca Chapel is assisting the family of Mrs. Singleton.