



Mary Frances Hinkle

April 27, 1940 - November 22, 2023

Mary Frances Hinkle
Salem, South Carolina

Mary Frances Hinkle “Goodmama”, 83, loving wife of 57 years to Ralph “Larry” Hinkle, passed away on Wednesday, November 22, 2023, at Greenville Memorial Hospital.

Born April 27, 1940, in Cullowhee, North Carolina, Mary was the daughter of the late Lewis Herman Williams and Nellie Frances Williams. Mary completed the 7th grade in the Pickens School System. She had two siblings, a sister, Bess Williams Swaynham, and a brother, Truman Joe Williams. She enlisted in the United States Navy on October 26, 1961, as a Navy Wave & worked in the Federal Building in New York until October 23, 1964. Prior to her service she worked in the spinning room at Runnymede & Gayley Mills from the age of 14.

Mary, along with her husband Larry, were the owners of Hinkle Jeep Sales in Pickens, SC. Mary was the Vice President of the business and together with her husband & many wonderful employees, Hinkle Jeep Sales became the World’s Largest Jeep dealer for AMC Jeep. Receiving many awards from Hinkle’s Jeep for her “GET UP and GO” work ethic. The most special part of Mary’s life was her grandchildren, her world centered around them. Her

hobbies were gardening, saving flowers on the clearance rack at Lowe's, cooking, reading, fussing at Larry, and laying out in the sun & smoking her cigarettes. She loved caring for others, young and old.

Survivors include her husband Larry Hinkle of the home; a son, Laramie S. Hinkle (wife Jarrod) of Salem; a daughter, Camala N. Hinkle (partner Jay Self) of Greenwood; four grandsons; Dustin Porter, David "Lache" Porter, Brodyn Hinkle, and Kaelin Hinkle; nieces Julie Williams, Mary "Mousie" Swaynham, and Susan Williams Dunaway; nephews, Tom Swaynham, and Terry Williams; and many other nieces and nephews by marriage, that she loved and adored.

In addition to her parents, Mrs. Hinkle was predeceased by a brother, Truman Joe Williams (and wife Anne) of Table Rock, and a sister, Bess Williams Swaynham (and husband Pat) of Pickens.

The family is honoring their father and mother's wishes and waiting until their father's passing and spread their ashes together. Services for both will be held at a future date determined by our Lord and Savior.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in Mary's honor may be made to the John de la Howe Foundation, by mailing 192 Gettys Rd, McCormick, SC 29835, Attn: Stacie Smith Foundation Director, by calling (864) 391-0406, or by visiting their website at www.jdlhfoundation.com.

Mountain View Funerals and Cremations- Pickens Chapel is serving the Hinkle family.

Tribute Wall

CL

“ So sorry for your loss, I didn't know her personally but have seen to the dealership many times. Already thought your Dad was a unique individual. My BFF and I came by the lot one night and the place was on fire. Hinkle rolled up, jumped out and said to all standing around... "y'all hop in one and move'em, keys are in'em"
What a treat for a bunch of kids to drive multiple brand new jeeps even for a few feet. Went on a Myrtle Beach Jeep trip with them (my brother had bought a jeep) what a great time we had.
Again sorry for your loss and please tell "Hinkle" hello for me too!



Cathy Laney - March 06, 2024 at 04:57 PM

JG

“ So very sorry to hear of Mary's passing. Condolences to Larry and the rest of the family. Joyce Gibson (Dickie Gibson's wife).

Joyce A. Gibson - January 04, 2024 at 07:38 PM

AT

“ Miss Mary aka Good Momma was an extremely speical lady who touched many lives. Rest easy Good Momma.
Love and prayers to the Hinkle family. May Jesus comfort you.



Angie Trout - December 27, 2023 at 12:10 PM

EM

“ *Earlene Meece lit a candle in memory of Mary Frances Hinkle*



Earlene Meece - December 11, 2023 at 04:30 PM

LP

“ *To the Hinkle family, We are so sorry for the loss of Mary. We have lots of fond memories to cherish with her and the family. We send prayers to you during this difficult time. Love, Larry (Little Man) Aiken, Debbie Aiken, and Lacey Aiken Parsons*



Lacey Parsons - December 10, 2023 at 12:13 PM

JM

“ *Jesse Janice McGaha lit a candle in memory of Mary Frances Hinkle*



Jesse Janice McGaha - December 09, 2023 at 12:49 PM

JW

“ Sending love and prayers to you all. I know we share a broken heart but we were so blessed to have Mary in our lives. She was the best—the best wife, mother, Goodmama, neighbor and friend to many. She was beautiful, kind, the hardest working woman I have ever known, genuine—the real deal. I am so thankful I was able to have Mary as my best friend for 55 years! We will miss her but can find comfort knowing she is in a better place now, not suffering and we will see her again. We had that talk. Always know we are family and I am here if there is anything you need. Heaven keeps getting sweeter for us all! 💔
Judy Wood

Judy Wood - December 06, 2023 at 07:21 PM

PA

“ Hinkle family, I'm so sorry for your loss. Mary was an incredible woman. I have so many good memories of her, her generous hospitality and great cooking. My prayers are with your family.

Paula Addington - December 06, 2023 at 12:07 PM

RS

“ Ron Cook Sr. lit a candle in memory of Mary Frances Hinkle



Ron Cook Sr. - December 05, 2023 at 09:45 AM

RF

Mary, Larry, Sissy and Laramie were extended family for us and so many others. So many cherished memories of Mary cooking apple fritters and her always saying "What About that"? God has gained a Special Angel.

Ron Cook & Family - December 05, 2023 at 09:49 AM

LI

Oh, what fun we had at the Jeep Jamborees in Pigeon Forge. I will never forget visiting one afternoon when Chris was staying with Laramie. I'd never heard the rattle of a rattlesnake, so she picked up a rock and threw it at a cage. I had no idea I was that close to a rattlesnake!

And after Chris had spent the weekend with your family, she laughed and said she understood why I got along with Laramie in my classroom.

You will miss her, but I'm sure you have many good memories and lots of stories to share about her. Repeat them over and over for all the grandchildren.

LindaHolder - December 06, 2023 at 01:24 AM

ME

“ So sorry for your loss. Mary was a very precious lady. Hugs and prayers for you all.



Missy Williams Edens - December 04, 2023 at 10:34 PM

SH

“ Have many wonderful, cherished memories of Mary and her family. She treated me like one of her own kids and I'm thankful for the times we shared. Love her and the whole family.

Stacey Haynes - December 04, 2023 at 10:28 PM

BN

“ Billy And Ralph Nix lit a candle in memory of Mary Frances Hinkle



Billy and Ralph Nix - December 04, 2023 at 09:44 PM

JC

“ *Judy Britton Chandler lit a candle in memory of Mary Frances Hinkle*



Judy Britton Chandler - December 04, 2023 at 08:02 PM

DA

“ *Darlene Anderson lit a candle in memory of Mary Frances Hinkle*



Darlene Anderson - December 04, 2023 at 08:02 PM

SD

“ *Sammy Dodgens lit a candle in memory of Mary Frances Hinkle*



Sammy Dodgens - December 04, 2023 at 02:40 PM