



Mrs. Imogene "Jean" Shields

April 12, 1931 - May 14, 2023

Imogene "Jean" Shields, age 92, of Guntersville, Alabama passed away on Sunday, May 14th 2023 at Marshall Medical Center North. Jean was one of those rare individual born at the family home. She was born in Cullman County on April 12, 1931 to Trenton Horace Reynolds and Myrtie Emma Maze Reynolds. Jean was a 1949 Arab High School graduate. She pursued her education by attending business school in Birmingham and began her career by working at NASA. She married her first husband, Frank Hawkins in 1954. Together they owned and operated a used car lot and built Arab Auto Auction until his death in 1979. Jean married Richard Shields in 1993. They enjoyed traveling and entertaining family at their lake house in Guntersville. Jean was of the Methodist faith and attended Guntersville Methodist Church.

"Nana" or "Mama Jean," as she was referred to by many was a gracious and loving family matriarch. She loved being surrounded by family and friends and made everyone welcomed at her home, always ready to celebrate each and every occasion. She deeply cared for all family members and was always encouraging and supportive in everything they pursued. She was a remarkable woman who was lively and spry throughout her life. She will be greatly missed.

Family members left behind to cherish memories of this most remarkable lady are: Son, Keith Hawkins (Laura); Daughters, Joanie Reynolds and Cindy Hosmer; Grandsons, Tyler Hawkins, Joey Reynolds (Nicole), Justin Reynolds (Alana) and Brett Peterson (Melissa); Great grandsons, Parks Reynolds, Cole

Peterson, John Gregory Peterson, and Hayes Peterson; Great grand-daughters, Lennie Reynolds, Elsie Jean Reynolds, and Morgan Ruth Peterson; Sister, Shirley Jolley; Sister-in-law, Faye Pierce; and a host of nieces and nephews.

Jean was preceded in death by her husbands, Frank Hawkins and Richard Shields; parents, Trenton and Myrtie Reynolds; son, Roger Hawkins; siblings, L.V. Reynolds, Lionel Reynolds, Jack Reynolds, Arlis Reynolds, Vera Bobo and Willie Ruth Tompkins; and son-in-law, Robert Reynolds.

A Celebration of Life is planned at her Lake House.

Arrangements entrusted to Arab Heritage Memorial Chapel

Tribute Wall

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“ As was said in Jean’s remembrance she married my father Richard Shields in 1993. My family loved her she was the only mother in law my wife knew, the only grandmother my six daughters knew on my side of our family and the only great grandmother my grandkids knew on my side also. In fact three of my oldest grandchildren made yearly trips to visit her from Maryland every summer. And the kids would remind me throughout the year about making sure we could go visit Jean even after my dad passed. She and her graciousness toward my family will be greatly missed. I’ve added a picture of her with my dad and my daughter Carys.



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