



Mrs. Mary Emma Houser

January 13, 1927 - February 6, 2018

Mrs. Mary Emma Houser, 91, passed away on February 6, 2018, at Hospice Ministries in Ridgeland. Mrs. Mary Emma was born on January 13, 1927, in Clay County, the daughter of the late Jesse James and Margaret Annie Joiner Young. Mrs. Mary Emma was the second of five children. She was employed at Knickerbocker Manufacturing in West Point at the age of 15 and retired from Artex of Mississippi in 1989. Mrs. Mary Emma married Dallas Harley Houser on October 20, 1956, in Clay County and he preceded her in death on June 5, 1974. After the tragic death of her son, Matt, Mrs. Mary Emma spent all of her time caring for her daughter, Malinda, who had gone blind and been diagnosed with renal failure. Mrs. Mary Emma transported Malinda to doctor's appointments, read to her, took her to church, got her to dialysis, cooked and cleaned for her, and eventually celebrated Malinda's kidney and pancreas transplant. After which, Malinda was able to work. Mrs. Mary Emma kept children in her home in Cedar Bluff until 2014 when her health began to decline. In 2015, Mrs. Mary Emma moved in with Malinda and her husband, Charles W. (Woody) Scarborough in Brandon, where she lived until her last days at Hospice Ministries in Ridgeland. Mrs. Mary Emma's spiritual heart always belonged with her church family at West End Baptist Church in West Point, but her health transition took her to a loving body of Christian believers at Oakdale Baptist Church in Brandon. There she was lovingly known as "Momma." In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by her son, James Matthew "Matt" Houser, Two Sisters: Elizabeth Ann

Fulgham and Inez Irene Williams, and a brother: James L. (Bud) Young.

Funeral services will be Friday, February 9, 2018, at 2:00 P.M. from Calvert Funeral Home Chapel with Reverend Rick Henson officiating. Burial will follow in Memorial Garden Cemetery in West Point. Calvert Funeral Home of West Point is in charge of arrangements.

Survivors include One Daughter: Malinda Scarborough (Woody) of Brandon; One Sister, Elaine Merchant and One Brother: Gailon Young (Maudie) both of West Point; and a number of Nieces and Nephews.

Pallbearers will be Jerry Bowen, Darryl Shows, Murray Shows, Cody Shows, Tommy Merchant, Stephen Young, Jesse Young, and Joyner Williams.

Memorials may be made to West End Baptist Church Building Fund, Post Office Box 388, West Point, MS 39773 or to Oakdale Baptist Church, 1872 Highway 471, Brandon, MS 39047.

Visitation will be Friday 1:00-2:00 P.M. at Calvert Funeral Home.

Friends may leave an online condolence at www.calvertfuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

Memorial Garden Cemetery

West Point

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 9. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

TW

“ Dear Malinda, No words are quite adequate when sorrow of losing a loved one grips our hearts. But, we have been so blessed to have known Mrs. Mary Emma and the life lived down here! I know she is rejoicing with Jesus today and looking forward to seeing her fellow Christians again in a perfect world without sorrow or pain. May God's grace sustain you as you go thru this difficult time of separation. We love you and are praying for you!
The Wallace Family

Teresa Wallace - February 12, 2018 at 12:58 PM

AK

“ Malinda, sorry for the loss of your mom. Heaven gained another angel. Know how much she loved y'all & loved God & the church.
Amy Fowler Kinsey

Amy Fowler Kinsey - February 11, 2018 at 12:30 PM

DH

“ Mrs. Mary Emma was a wonderful Christian woman. I worked with her for several years. She only had kind words for everyone. Praying God give comfort and peace to Malinda and husband, and sister, Elaine Merchant and family, and brother, Gaylon and Maudie Young and all family members. I know she will be missed by a lot of people.

Dot Hannah - February 10, 2018 at 07:35 PM

MS

Thank you Ms. Dot for your kind words. Momma had been with us for almost 3 years but West Point and residents were really her home. She missed her home to the end.

Malinda Scarborough - February 22, 2018 at 07:36 PM

SP

“ *Ms. Mary was a wonderful edition to our family of friends when we pastored at West end Baptist. We loved to see Malinda come home for a visit because her Mom would be so happy. Love you Malinda, praying for God's presence to surround you! We lived your Mom very much, she was an inspiration to us. Terry and Sue Partin*

Sue Partin - February 09, 2018 at 08:55 AM

JG

“ *Dear Malinda, so sorry to hear of Aunt Mary passing. You and she have taken wonderful care of each other all these years. She was a sweet lady and touched so many lives. I'm sorry I can't attend the funeral. I am in Houston Tx w Ben due to his illness. I will be thinking of you and would love to see you. Love always, Judy Gill (Gammill)*

Judy Gill - February 08, 2018 at 09:08 PM

LM

“ *Malinda, I am so sorry to hear of the passing of your sweet Mama. She was a beautiful lady. A very Godly woman, She lived her faith everyday and loved her Savior, She, also, loved everyone. I will be praying for you and Woody. Love In Christ, Louise Miller*

Louise Miller - February 08, 2018 at 04:34 PM

MS

Thank you so much Miss Louise. You and the rest of her West End family were so important to her... Y'all helped her to grow in her faith and helped her draw closer to the Lord in many times of great tragedy and joy throughout her adult life. I love y'all too... Y'all are my roots. Thank you again for your kind words for Momma. Malinda

Malinda Scarborough - February 08, 2018 at 05:59 PM

LW

“ Dearest Aunt Mary,
You referred to us all as "angel" and now you are in the presence of so many. You always were the sweetest, most humblest soul that I remember growing up. Your strawberry cakes that you made for my many birthdays because I requested them, your selfless love that you bestowed on everyone, your seamstress skills that you taught to me and helped me make a beautiful Easter dress for my own daughter, the love that you had for your family and extended family will live on forever. I have so many beautiful memories growing up living down the road from you. You were a second mom to us. You never gave up and your faith was so inspiring for us all to see, in spite of the hardships that you endured.

Rest well, my dear, sweet, Aunt Mary! Prayers for comfort to Malinda and Woody. She was so blessed to have such a sweet and loving daughter and son-in-law.

Love,
Leslye Fulgham Wood

Leslye Wood - February 08, 2018 at 02:17 PM

MS

Awww Leslie, howsweet of you! You know how momma always loved you girls, and we always had such a blast when we all got together. Momma and Aunt Ann got along so well with their sewing and crafts and stuff! We descendants of that generation in our family are so very blessed with their legacies of faith, strength, and determination! You be blessed my beautiful cousin and remember I'll always love you!

Malinda Scarborough - February 08, 2018 at 03:37 PM

 Carl
Ulmer

“ Melinda, I am sorry to hear of the passing of Ms. Houser. Mother and her were the best of friends!! Sending my love to you during this time of sorrow. May God comfort and bless you!!

Carl Ulmer - February 08, 2018 at 02:05 PM



Oh Carl, thank you so much for your kind words and prayers. Love you, too, my friend!

Malinda Scarborough - February 08, 2018 at 08:37 PM