



# Juanita 'Nita' S 'Nita' Mason

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## **J**uanita S. Mason

Juanita S. Mason (Nita), 82, passed away unexpectedly on April 25, 2013, at the Medical Center of Central Georgia in Macon. She was born in and lived her entire life in Georgia. An accomplished businesswoman, she spent the early part of her career operating a small business. She then worked in the Tax Commissioner's office and rose to the elected position of Tax Commissioner of Houston County, an office she held for 17 years. As steward of the county's tax collection efforts, she consistently enhanced the effectiveness of the office. She genuinely loved her role of service to the people of Houston County.

The daughter of the late Edward James May and Annie Ella May, Juanita is survived by her devoted husband of 48 years, Courtney Mason of Perry. She is the beloved mother of three children, Linda Corbett (Jim) of Avondale Estates, GA, Janice Vandergrift (Bill) of Versailles, KY, and Dr. Stephen Mason of Perry. She is survived by six sisters, Evelyn Cox of Perry, Vera McDonald (Bobby) of Warner Robins, Opal David (Donald) of Warner Robins, Shirley Reece (Floyd) of Charlotte, NC, Barbara Cross (Lee) of Perry, and Faye Scott of Atlanta, and one brother, Larry May (June) of Warner Robins. She will also be missed by her many nieces and nephews.

A longtime member of The First Baptist Church of Perry, she was also a member of the Dot Hardy Sunday School class. She demonstrated her Christian faith in the way she lived her life, loved her family, and respected and helped others.

For over 30 years, Juanita enjoyed attending theater presentations and other live performances. Her travels took her to various parts of the United States as well as two most memorable visits to Europe. Juanita's enduring beauty, amazing expertise in the kitchen and infectious laugh will always be cherished by her family and her friends.



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On Sunday, April 28, between 4:00pm and 6:00pm, the family will receive friends at Watson-Hunt Funeral Home, 1208 Main Street, Perry, GA. Services will be held on Monday, April 29, at the First Baptist Church of Perry at 11:00am. The two organizations suggested for donations in honor of Mrs. Mason's memory are The First Baptist Church of Perry and St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

Condolences may be left for the family in the online guestbook at [www.watsonhunt.com](http://www.watsonhunt.com).



## Tribute Wall

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MH

**Martha Holland Cox** posted:

Would like for someone to send me Faye May's email address please.

May 27 at 8:00 PM

RB

**Randall Buice** posted:

Stephen and Mr. Courtney: I was very saddened to hear of Mrs. Juanita's passing. She was such a warm, caring person, who had such a great sense of humor. Please know that you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.Randall

April 30 at 8:00 PM

JS

**Jennifer Smith** posted:

Loving thoughts to an extraordinary family during this difficult time. My love to you all.

April 29 at 8:00 PM

CP

**Crystal Powell** posted:

I want to take a minute of your time to tell you how special Juanita will always be to me. I work for the Department of Revenue and met her in the summer of 1999 and think of her very often. The time I had with her puts a huge smile on my face. She will always be my Southern Belle. With much love and sadness, Crystal

April 29 at 8:00 PM

BF

**Barbi Purdom Flournoy** posted:

Linda, So sorry to hear about your Mother. She was such a precious lady. Barbi Purdom Flournoy

April 28 at 8:00 PM

BG

**Barbara Graham** posted:

Thinking of you in your time of loss. May the Lord keep you in his peace and know that I love you.

April 28 at 8:00 PM



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JB

**John Booher** posted:

To Mr. Mason, Linda, & Janice, Having grown up just down the street, I know the loss you are suffering. Mrs. Mason was always kind and a guiding figure in the tax office. She will be missed by many.

April 27 at 8:00 PM

CM

**Carol And Ted Middelberg** posted:

Janice and Bill: We offer our deepest sympathy and are holding you in our hearts during this sad time.

April 27 at 8:00 PM

GC

**Gil & Anita Sea (New Hope Church)** posted:

Janice, we are so sorry to hear about your Mother's passing. Bro. Wes told us at church this morning. Will be praying for you and your family

April 27 at 8:00 PM

MK

**Mike Kelly** posted:

Janice I am so very sorry for your loss. Perry, Houston Co. and FBC lost such a wonderful lady. You and your family will be in my prayers and thoughts during this time.

April 26 at 8:00 PM

TV

**Tyler Vandergrift** posted:

I have very few memories of Nita. The ones I do have consist of being at hers and Courtney's house while we ate their food. She was always very cheerful. She glowed with a sense of joy that was filling. I hope her joyful spirit keeps filling us. May she keep living through us being joyful and cheerful.

April 26 at 8:00 PM



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**Wayne Vandergrift** posted:

I'll always remember the good times and delicious Southern Cooking we had together in Perry and Versailles.

April 26 at 8:00 PM



# Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Juanita by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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