



MARILYN HOOTEN

July 4, 1935 - April 20, 2021

PERRY –

Marilyn Rebecca Parrish Hooten, 85, went to be with her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, on Tuesday, April 20, 2021, after complications with a long battle with COPD. The Lord Jesus and Raymond met her at the pearly gates with two fishing poles. Services will be held on Friday, April 23, 2021, at First Baptist Church of Perry with the Visitation beginning at 10:00 a.m. and the Funeral beginning at 11:00 a.m. Interment will be in Perry Memorial Gardens immediately following the service. Memorial Contributions may be made to The Music Ministry, First Baptist Church of Perry, 1105 Main Street, Perry, GA 31069.

Marilyn was born July 4, 1935, in Anniston, Alabama, to the late Marie Hurst Parrish and the late Charles Calvin Parrish. She was an only child, but had many cousins to enjoy through the years. She met the love of her life, Raymond Hooten, after her third year of college at Florida State University, and the couple married on December 21, 1952, in Florala, Alabama. Marilyn was a “domestic engineer,” constantly striving to create a loving and inviting home in which to raise their three daughters. She lived a simple and humble life glorifying God and was a wonderful example of a devoted wife, mother, and grandmother for her children and grandchildren. Marilyn enjoyed reading, listening to music, spending time at Seagrove Beach, Florida, and playing the piano. A pianist most of her life, she became a master pianist through the years. Often in the spring or fall, when the windows were open, neighbors could hear Marilyn practicing piano and delighting in the talent God had given her. Not only did she play piano for pleasure, she was invited and honored to play at holidays, special community and church events, and at various “once-in-a-lifetime” events for many people. Marilyn also taught piano to many students, young and old, alike, and encouraged them to use and develop their musical talents. She enjoyed playing every Sunday at Shurlington Baptist Church in Macon and, later in life, at First Baptist Church in Perry. She was a member of the Piano Duet Club and thoroughly enjoyed her time with them. In 2001, Marilyn retired as church pianist to care for her beloved husband, Raymond, as his health was worsening. Marilyn must have smiled as she heard her Savior say, “Well done, my good and faithful servant. Well Done.”

Left to cherish the memories they made with Marilyn are her daughters, Becky Millar and Debby Berrie (Darron), both of Perry, and Martha Marie Underwood (Welton) of Cataula;

her grandchildren, Sarah Rothstein (Ian), Ryan Millar (Cathleen), Rachel Tidwell, Audra Wade (Trent), Aldan Berrie (Ashley), and Kyle Hooten; fifteen great-grandchildren; and several cousins including Gloria Simmons, Margaret Ann Collins, and Vera Bess Tillet. Marilyn was preceded in death by her loving and devoted husband of fifty years, Raymond Hooten; and a grandson, Wade Berrie.

Special "Thank You!" from the family to Kindred Hospice; the employees of LifeSpring Church Home; and Dr. Lomboy and his staff.

Condolences for the family may be left in the online guestbook at <http://www.watsonhunt.com>. Watson-Hunt Funeral Home has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Cemetery

Perry Memorial Gardens

2106 Highway 41 North

Perry, GA, 31069

Events

APR **Visitation** 10:00AM - 11:00AM

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First Baptist Church - Perry

1105 Main Street, Perry, GA, US, 31069

APR **Funeral** 11:00AM

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Comments



“ Gloria Simmons and Family purchased the Springtime Wishes for the family of MARILYN HOOTEN.



Gloria Simmons and Family - April 22 at 03:09 PM



“ Kenny, Gwen and Allan Lindsley purchased the Blue & White Sympathy Standing Basket for the family of MARILYN HOOTEN.



Kenny, Gwen and Allan Lindsley - April 22 at 01:08 PM



“ I loved this sweet lady's smile. Her ways were kind and I loved listening to her play at the church. When we ran into each other there was always smiles and laughter while catching up on what we had been up to since seeing each other. She was a great woman of God and I know she is thrilled to be with her Jesus and Mr. Raymond along with so many she knew and loved!

Cindy Collier - April 21 at 07:42 PM



“ Becky, my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. I know the pain of a mother's passing and it is so hard. Your mom was a special lady and the memories you have made with her will be cherished. Love you and miss you.

Kelly Rahn - April 21 at 07:01 AM



“ Miss Marilyn was such a sweet kind and compassionate lady. She played the piano for my daughters wedding. Miss Marilyn and my mother-in-law played in the piano duet club. I pray God will wrap his loving arms around each of you and bring you peace and comfort. I am so very sorry for your loss.
Kim Keuper

kim keuper - April 20 at 07:30 PM



“ Mrs Marilyn was a beautiful lady with a kind, loving sweet spirit. She played piano so beautifully. I enjoyed sitting with her at First Baptist Perry Wednesday night dinners last year. One day, I look forward to seeing her again and listening to her play piano in Heaven. May God comfort her family as they mourn their loss of Mrs Marilyn.
Lome Armendariz

Lome Armendariz - April 21 at 07:56 AM