

When I come to the end of the day
And the sun has set for me
I want no rites in a gloom-filled room.
Why cry for a
soul set free?

Miss me a little, but not too long
And not with your head bowed low.

Remember the love we once shared-
Miss me, but let me go.

For this is a journey we all must take
And each must go alone.

It's all a part of the Maker's plan,

A step on the road to **HOME**.

When you are lonely and sick at heart
Go to the friends we know, & bury your sorrows
In doing good deeds-

Miss me, but let me go.



Cardinals
CELEBRATING A LIFE

In moments of *Sorrow,*
it's Family & Friends
who bring
Love & Peace.
Thank You Sincerely.



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In Loving Memory of

Geraldyn Gaines Bessinger
March 8, 1931 - December 8, 2024





Memories

For by Him were all things *Created,*
that are in **Heaven,**
and that are in earth,
visible and invisible, whether they be thrones,
or dominions, or principalities, or powers:
All things were created by Him, and for Him,
and He is before all things,
and by *Him*
all things consist.

- Colossians 1:16-17

"Gerrie"

Memorial Service

4 o'clock in the afternoon
Saturday, December 14, 2024
Memorial Chapel of Berry Funeral Home

Officiating

Rev. Tim Savelle
Mrs. Jeannie Jourolmon

Interment

Elmhurst Cemetery

Contributions

Francis Asbury Methodist Church
Post Office Box 553
Elberton, Georgia 30635

A Service of
Berry Funeral Home
Elberton, Georgia

Mrs. Geraldyn "Gerrie" Gaines Bessinger, of W. Tate Street, Elberton, passed away peacefully on Sunday, December 8, 2024, at her daughter's home in Barnesville, Georgia. She was 93.

Geraldyn and her twin sister, Jacquelyn, were born in Elberton on March 8, 1931, and grew up in the Rock Branch Community. She married the love of her life, Sydney Earl "Buck" Bessinger on October 30, 1949, and they enjoyed 38 years of marriage before his untimely death on December 27, 1987. They were blessed with four children: Danny Wendell, Larry Michael, Joy Denise, and Brian Sidney.

She worked many years for the Elbert County School System in the cafeteria at Stillwell Elementary, Stevens Elementary, and Blackwell Elementary. "Nannie" enjoyed spending her retirement babysitting her great-grandchildren and other children of the community. Her love language was cooking and she often had homemade sausage or ham biscuits waiting for the parents as they dropped the children off. Her brown sugar pound cake was also a family favorite.

She was a longtime member of Francis Asbury Methodist Church. In her free time, she enjoyed watching the Atlanta Braves, watching the Georgia Bulldogs, and of course cooking for those she loved.

In addition to her husband Buck and son Danny, she is preceded in death by her parents, John William Carswell Gaines, Sr. and Tallie Elvira Lee Gaines; and siblings: Mamie Shumate, Rosa Partain, Fannie Teasley, Eula Herring, Pauline Skelton, Carswell Gaines, Jr., Albert "Mutt" Gaines, Jackie Stratton, and Joe Gaines.

Surviving are her children and their spouses: Larry and Nancy Bessinger of Elberton, Joy and Greg Mack of Barnesville, and Brian and Carol Bessinger of Elberton; daughter-in-law, Anne Bessinger of Elberton; grandchildren and their spouses: Jeannie and Leon Jourolmon, Jill and Larry Kesler, Kerri Bessinger and Devin Fischer, Stefanie Bessinger, Lance and Karen Mack, Corrie and Brett Padgett, Tyler and Emily Bessinger, Sydney and Taylor Wingate, and Suzannah and Jay Clarke; twenty-five great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; and a host of other relatives and friends.