



Joan Mathis

October 20, 1921 - November 7, 2015

Joan W. Mathis age 94, of Socastee Blvd. passed away Saturday, November 7, 2015.

Born in Wellington, New Zealand, she was a daughter of the late Tom and Ada Sunnex. Joan was a retired nurse of over 50 years. Her main goal in life was helping others. She was truly an angel on earth. She enjoyed spending time with her family and her church. Joan had a passion for flowers, especially her beautiful roses. She nurtured the needy- whether they were human, animals or flowers. Everyone-plants and animals included- were better for having known her. She will leave a void and be truly missed.

Joan is survived by her four children, Wayne Mathis of Bozeman, Montana, Raymond Mathis (Virginia) of Monroe, North Carolina, Diane Mathis (Christophe Benoist) of Brookline, Massachusetts and Mike Mathis (Sheri) of Myrtle Beach, SC; eight grandchildren, Jamie, Joey, Adam, Nathan, Clare, Misti, Brett, and Angel and four great grandchildren.

A special thank you to all the "lovely" folks at Brightwater and Grand Strand Healthcare for their thoughtful care of Joan.

Joan's memorial service will be held at Goldfinch Funeral Home, Beach Chapel at 2:00 PM Friday, November 13, 2015.

Memorials for Joan may be made to the Medical University of South Carolina, 86 Jonathan Lucas St. Charleston, SC 29425 or to Grand Strand Humane Society, 3241 19th Ave. N. Ext. Myrtle Beach, SC 29577.

An online guestbook is available at www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com/obituaries

Goldfinch Funeral Home, Beach Chapel is in charge of the arrangements.

Previous Events

Service

NOV 13. 2:00 PM (ET)

Celebration Center

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Tribute Wall



“ Goldfinch Funeral Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Joan Mathis



Goldfinch Funeral Home - November 09, 2015 at 02:59 PM

LS

“ tis with sadness and sorrow i learn of the passing of such a wonderful and loving person . some one who never left her family or country of birth even though so very far from them; she was in in earlier years in quite regular contact with her father thomas alfred sunnex. she also showed the utmost respect for his wife kathleen. i will always hold her dearly and lovingly in my heart and memories till we meet again. go joan , go be with bill , bett and bob , your mum and dad and jill. and all of those so close to you that have left this world before you i roto i te ringa ringa o te atua. safe in the hands of our lord amen. my deepest sympathy to bill and joans children wayne raymond dianne and mike and their families may the father above look down and give you the strength and love to see you all through this time pain and sadness. i along with all your family here in ngaruawahia new zealand send our aroha love and sincere condolences to each and every one of you. to my loving sister joan thank you so very much for being here for your new zealand family. to your family .god bless. if ever in nz our doors are never locked haere mai. love and respect leslie moetu sunnex. 20 whata whata avenue ngaruawahia waikato north island nz 021782678 07 824 8046

les sunnex - April 05, 2016 at 04:37 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Joan Mathis.*



November 13, 2015 at 08:27 AM



“ *I truly miss my special Kiwi Friend Joan. She taught me a lot about life and my life is richer with knowing her. God speed Joan till we meet again "Kia Ora" Alexa Amoroson*

Alexa Amoroson - November 13, 2015 at 06:43 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Joan Mathis.*



November 12, 2015 at 03:58 PM



“ *Mrs Mathis was a truly kindhearted and wonderful person. I remember when she would bring Angel to Socastee Elementary for her weekly session. Always a treat to chat with her. She was so devoted to Angel and you could see the love for her in her eyes. RIP...*

Ms Arlene Jerdon....PS I still have the planter and angel that Angel gave me....

Arlene Jerdon - November 12, 2015 at 12:52 PM

TG

“ To all of my Mathis cousins - Wayne, Raymond, Diane, and Mike. I have so many memories of your Mother. She was such a caring aunt and so gracious when we came to visit. I miss her smiling face and know that you will all have good memories of her and your Dad. God bless all of you and sustain you in the coming days.

Love to all,

John and Trudy W. Gaston

Trudy W. Gaston - November 12, 2015 at 12:45 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Joan Mathis.



November 11, 2015 at 02:04 PM

EA

“ *Everett & Joan Smith and Associates* purchased the *Divine Peace Bouquet* for the family of Joan Mathis.



Everett & Joan Smith and Associates - November 11, 2015 at 01:07 PM

AK

“ Joan's smile and her effervescence will be missed. As another New Zealander I always enjoyed meeting Joan each Sunday morning and receiving a great New Zealand hug from her. We will miss her, but we can continue to remember her as we greet one another with one of her big smiles.

Andy Kearney - November 10, 2015 at 08:27 PM

CH

“ We called her "Little Bit" and she was loved by all at Brightwater. She loved hearing about my son who played baseball, and always asked about him. She was truly a beautiful soul then and now. I am so sorry for your loss.

Christine Henry, IL Concierge

Christine Henry - November 10, 2015 at 09:12 AM

FH

“ Oh I remember your Mother from Ocean View Hospital 45 years ago. Such a charming person. Knew your father also. What wonderful parents you all had. My thoughts will be with all of you 🙏



Faye and Ned Hickson - November 10, 2015 at 07:06 AM

SM

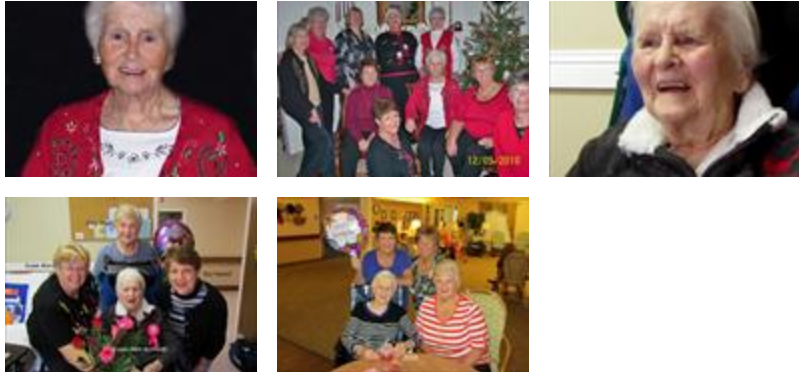
“ Sheri Mathis lit a candle in memory of Joan Mathis



Sheri Mathis - November 09, 2015 at 09:50 PM

SM

“Joan was a special friend who would do anything she could to help you out. She was a wonderful Steeple Chase neighbor who always kept us laughing. We loved her stories. Joan will be missed. RIP Joan. Our thoughts and prayers go out to her family.
Susan and Ray Mara



Susan Mara - November 09, 2015 at 06:31 PM

Angel Mathis

The pictures are beautiful. Thank you for sharing. - Angel Mathis

Angel Mathis - November 09, 2015 at 09:35 PM

JC

Many lovely memories of Joan even back to Oceaon Viw Hospital .a terrific nurse and a good friend. She will be missed.

Joy collins - November 11, 2015 at 11:29 AM