



## Mary Ann Stalvey

October 26, 1934 - June 17, 2014

Mary Ann Long Stalvey, 79, of Conway South Carolina died on June 17, 2014. She was born in Conway on October 26, 1934 to Albert Harmon Long and Alma Watson Long. She had been married to her high school sweetheart, Rupert M. Stalvey, since June 24, 1958, nearly fifty-six happy years.

Mary Ann is survived by her husband, Rupert M. Stalvey, Sr. of Conway; her son, R. Miles Stalvey, Jr and his wife RoxAnn Hodges Stalvey of Charleston, SC; three adored grandchildren, Rupert Miles "Tradd" Stalvey, III, Lawton Virginia Stalvey, and Ann DuBose Stalvey, all of Charleston; one brother, Charles Watson Long of Rock Hill, SC; nine nieces and nephews; and countless friends, close enough to be family.

Mary Ann was predeceased by her mother and father, one brother, Albert H. Long, Jr., and one half sister, Sadie Long Turner.

She graduated from Conway High School in 1952 and graduated Cum Laude from Winthrop College in 1956 with a degree in mathematics.

Mary Ann was a lifelong member of First Baptist Church on Elm Street in Conway where she was an active participant. She was a member of FBC Chancel Choir for over fifty-five years. She served as a Deacon and was chairman, vice chairman and secretary for this group. Additionally, she was director of the Adult Sunday School Department and would brighten their every Sunday morning with flower arrangements she made. Mary Ann assisted her mother, Alma Long, in forming the Heritage Room in 1966 and followed her in serving as Curator until 2013. She served several times as

Chairman of the Pastor Search Committee. She also served on the Church Stewardship Team, Children's Division Committee, Senior Ministry Committee, Music Committee, Interior Committee for Church Renovation, Church Admin Team and Personnel Committee. She was a director and teacher of children's Sunday school and the director of the Girl's Auxiliary. In addition to her committee work, she assisted with piano accompaniment for church services, Sunday school, and children's choirs.

Mary Ann was a natural educator. She taught for two years in Columbia city schools before returning to Conway where she continued her teaching career in Language Arts, mathematics, and geometry. During her tenure at Conway High School she chaired the organizational committee which formed the Conway High School Educational Foundation and served as a founding member of the Board of Directors where she acted in several leadership roles including President, Vice President, and Secretary. Additionally she aided in the organization of other high school educational foundations in Horry County, South Carolina, and other parts of the country.

Mary Ann was a very active supporter of Conway. Working with Conway Main Street, USA, she served as a member and chairman of the Board of Directors, the Outreach Committee, and the Promotions Committee. As a member of the Ivy Garden Club, she served as President, Chaplain, Treasurer, and Secretary. She was also active in The Fine Arts Club of Conway, serving as President and Secretary-Treasurer. As a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, Peter Horry Chapter, she served as Regent, Secretary, and Chaplain. She was a member of the organizational committee for the Friends of the Library where she was its first president. Additionally, she was a member of Horry County Endowment Board, Chamber of Commerce, Conway Middle School Advisory Board, City of Conway Visitor Board, Theatre of the Republic Board of Directors, and Horry County Historical Society.

For her service, Mary Ann received several awards. In 2001, she was recognized by the Conway Chamber of Commerce as Woman of the Year. The Conway High School Educational Foundation named her Outstanding

Educator and inducted her into their Hall of Fame in 2002. Conway Main Street, USA bestowed her with the Lifetime Achievement Award in 2003. And in 2010, Mary Ann received the LaVerne H. Creel Lifetime Achievement Award from Conway Chamber of Commerce.

In addition to spending time with her beloved husband, she enjoyed writing, flower arranging, playing the piano, and boating.

Funeral services will be held at First Baptist Church of Conway 11:00 AM Friday, June 20 with Dr. Robert W. Guffey, Jr. and Rev. Rocky Taylor officiating. The family will receive guests before the funeral service in the Fellowship Hall of First Baptist Church from 10:00-11:00 AM. Mary Ann will be laid to rest at Lakeside Cemetery in Conway, SC. In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts may be made in Mary Ann's memory to the First Baptist Church of Conway, 603 Elm Street, Conway, SC 29526 or to Mercy Care Hospice, 8216 Devon Court, Myrtle Beach, SC 29572.

Please sign an online guestbook @ [www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com](http://www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com)

Funeral arrangements are being handled by Goldfinch Funeral Home of Conway.

# Cemetery Details

## Lakeside Cemetery

401 Lakewood Drive  
Conway, SC 29526

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 20. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

First Baptist Church of Conway  
603 Elm Street  
Conway, SC 29526  
<http://www.fbconway.org>

## Service

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# Tribute Wall

AB

“ I'm so sorry for your loss. Please accept my deepest sympathy. May you find comfort from your memories, as well as God's word the bible. Why do people we love die? Romans 5:12 says: "That is why, just as through one man (Adam) sin entered into the world and death through sin, and thus death spread to all men because they had all sinned." How loving of God to promise what is found at Revelation 21:4 which says, "And he will wipe out every tear from their eyes, and death will be no more, neither will mourning nor outcry nor pain be anymore. The former things have passed away.”

A. Bell - June 25, 2014 at 11:16 AM

SM

“ Rupert, Charles and I Always enjoyed seeing both of you! We are so happy to see the two of you on Folly Beach while visiting your grands during prom week! You are in our thought during this rough time!

Sue & Charlie McManus - June 22, 2014 at 12:06 PM

JP

“ I have wonderful memories of Mrs. Stalvey as a Sunday school teacher and my geometry teacher. Her love for her community was immense. She touched so many lives through her work and her church. She will be missed by so many. Sending thoughts and prayers.

Best,  
Jennifer Ray Parker

jennifer parker - June 20, 2014 at 10:33 AM

GM

“ *Gene McDowell lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Stalvey*



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**Gene McDowell** - June 19, 2014 at 10:06 PM

CB

“ *From the hearts of Mrs Mary Jones and family ...We send you our deepest condolences ..God Bless you all..*

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**Cynthia Bessant-Jones** - June 19, 2014 at 09:55 AM

CB

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**Cynthia Bessant-Jones** - June 19, 2014 at 09:37 AM

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**Cynthia Bessant-Jones** - June 19, 2014 at 09:37 AM

DS

“ *What a beautiful lady inside and out. Mary Ann was one of the most dedicated people making our community a better place to live. She lived her Faith and stepped up to the plate whenever she was asked, with a smile on her face.*

*God bless Mary Ann's family. May you be surrounded by love and support.*

*Diane DeVaughn Stokes*

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**Diane DeVaughn Stokes** - June 19, 2014 at 07:26 AM

CF

“ *Rupert and Miles we are thing about you at this time.*

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**Carolyn N. Moore & Family** - June 19, 2014 at 07:14 AM

BG

“ *Mrs. Stalvey was a sweet lady. She was one of my favorite teachers. Beautifulinside and out. Thinking of you all at this great loss.*

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**Barbara McLaurin Graham** - June 18, 2014 at 06:22 PM

BT

“ *Mr. Stalvey and Miles,*

*Please know that I am praying for you during this time. I have so many fond memories of Mrs. Stalvey and your family. She was such an encouragement to me when we moved to Conway and my life is richer for having known her. It is because of my love for you both that I asked you to be greeters at my wedding reception. Your friendship to Mom and Dad has always been a treasure - since day one when Mrs. Stalvey was chairperson of the the Search Committee. Much love and prayers to your family! Would love to give you a hug, Mr. Stalvey, but I'll do so in spirit!*

*Love,  
Beth Bass Turner*

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**Beth Bass Turner** - June 18, 2014 at 02:41 PM

CL

“ *My entire family loved Mary Ann. She was such a good friend and neighbor, along with Rupert. Our sincere condolences to the family. What a loss to the church and community. She was the finest sort of Southern woman.*

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**Carol Lee Boggs Lane** - June 18, 2014 at 11:58 AM



“ *A Full Life was purchased for the family of Mary Ann Stalvey.*



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June 18, 2014 at 10:31 AM

JL

“ I am so saddened by the passing of "Aunt" Mary Ann. It was such an honor to know and love her. She was the truest example of what a Christian Southern lady should be. I will miss her. My prayers and love go out to Rupert, Miles and his family.

*Julie Long*

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**julie long** - June 18, 2014 at 07:43 AM

SC

*It was an honor to know Mary Ann. She was truly a gracious lady and I enjoyed knowing her as a friend and as a teacher of my children. She shared her wonderful memories of growing up in the house that I lived in for many years. I always looked forward to seeing her, and I will miss her. God be with Rupert and Miles and comfort them in their time of sorrow.*

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**Sigrid Cork** - June 20, 2014 at 08:30 AM