



Sara Mills

September 29, 1935 - July 2, 2019

Sara Dukes Mills, 83, of Columbia, South Carolina, passed away on Tuesday, July 2, 2019. Born September 29, 1935 in Orangeburg, South Carolina, she was the daughter of the late Honorable John Harpin Dukes and Eugenia Andersen Dukes. Growing up in Orangeburg, she is best remembered for riding her beloved horse “Ladybug” down Columbia Avenue. Sara attended Queens College in Charlotte, North Carolina where she was a member of the Chi Omega Sorority. She transferred to the University of South Carolina in Columbia where she graduated with a degree in English and Theatre. She was a teacher of special needs children in the South Carolina school system and was instrumental in establishing the pre-kindergarten and kindergarten programs at Union United Methodist Church where she served as a teacher for many years. In addition to teaching, Sara was actively involved in the community having served as President of the Hyatt Park Parent Teacher Association and was recognized with an outstanding service award by the Student Council of Irmo High School in appreciation of her kind words and support in making the community and school a better place. She was a devoted Episcopalian.

Sara was a caring and loving mother and grandmother. She especially cherished her role as “Grammy” to her four grandchildren.

She was predeceased by daughter, Sara Horton Mills.

She is survived by sons, John Andersen Mills (Eleanor) of Apex, North Carolina, and Michael Stuart Mills of Columbia, daughter, Lee Mills Finney (Charles) of Boca Raton, Florida and grandchildren, Barbara Elizabeth Mills, John Stuart Mills (Cara), Dr. Chandler Finney Inabinet (Walker), and Colin Elizabeth Finney.

Services will be held on Saturday, July 6, 2019 at 12:00 PM at Goldfinch Funeral Home, Conway Chapel, 606 Beaty Street, Conway, South Carolina, officiated by the Rev. Lindsey Inman. The family will receive friends from 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM prior to the services. Interment following the service will be at Hillcrest Cemetery, Conway, South Carolina.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Charleston Animal Society, 2455 Remount Road, North Charleston, South Carolina 29406.

Please sign the online guest register at www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com

Goldfinch Funeral Home, Conway Chapel, is serving the family.

Cemetery Details

Hillcrest Cemetery

1000 Hwy 544
Conway, SC 29526
(843) 347-4909
<https://www.hillcrestcemetery.com/>

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 6. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Goldfinch Funeral Home, Conway Chapel
606-610 Beaty Street
Conway, SC 29526

Funeral Service

JUL 6. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Interment

JUL 6. 1:30 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

DM

“ I just learned today Sara had passed. I lived on the same street at one time in Columbia. We often talked . She made georgeous wreaths. Sara was a Southern lady and was very proud of her children and grands. Prayers and thoughts sent your way at this time.

Diane McLaughlin - July 24, 2019 at 04:02 PM

DB

“ ‘Dolly’ Mills Berg shared many fun memories with my sister-in-law and family. Sara will be greatly missed and always remembered as a lovely loving person and wonderful Mother. Bless you!



Dolly Mills Berg - July 06, 2019 at 12:34 PM

TJ

“ I went to school in Orangeburg with Sara. She was always a joy to be around. Saw her at the last class get together. So sorry for your loss.

Ted Johnson

Ted Johnson - July 06, 2019 at 09:30 AM

HE

“ Lee,

Deepest condolences. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this difficult time.

*With sympathy,
Heather*

Heather - July 05, 2019 at 10:01 AM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Sara Mills.*



July 05, 2019 at 09:54 AM

CA

“ *Sara came into my life when I was a teen . She married my brother. I looked forward every summer when they would bring my nieces and nephews to visit . We had so much fun and she taught me how to do my makeup and gave me tips on clothes. She was always beautiful, kind and funny. A mother who loved her children more than anything.. I will miss our phone calls and talking about our summers at my parents home ..*



Carolyn - July 04, 2019 at 02:25 PM



“ *Sleep in peace. Shirley Pendarvis Guyton Coral Gables Fl*

shirley Pendarvis Guyton - July 04, 2019 at 02:01 PM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Sara Mills.*



July 04, 2019 at 01:54 PM