



Virginia Hoerner

September 3, 2009

Virginia Lee Bowdoin Hoerner Pawleys Island Virginia Lee Bowdoin Hoerner age 88, wife of the late Hal Stucy Hoerner, went home to be with the Lord on Wednesday, September 2, 2009. Mrs. Hoerner was born in Atlanta, GA, a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Hammond Bowdoin, Sr. She was a member of the West End Baptist Church in Atlanta, GA and a 1940 graduate of The Girls High School in Atlanta. She then joined the WAAC of the 8th Army Air Force in 1943. She was stationed in England for two and a half years during WW2, where she met her husband Hal. She lived in Savannah, GA for 44 years, also spending three years living in New York City with her husband Hal and son Mark. Virginia moved to Pawleys Island, SC, after her husband's death in 1994, where she lived with her son Mark, daughter-in-law, Patricia and granddaughter, Amanda. Mrs. Hoerner studied art at High Museum of Arts and Sciences in Atlanta, GA, Telfair Academy of Science and Art in Savannah, GA, and the National Academy of Arts and Sciences in New York City, under the direction of Robert Phillip. She was the Vice President of the Savannah Art Association. Over her 50 year career, she won numerous awards for her art and was a long standing and respected member of the Savannah art community. She joined Women in Military Service for America Memorial, at Arlington National Cemetery and was a member of Veterans of Foreign War post #10420 in Murrells Inlet, SC. She is preceded in death by her husband, Hal Stucy Hoerner; son, Mark Ingalls Hoerner and brother, Laurance Hammond Bowdoin, Jr. Survivors include her

granddaughter, Amanda Morgan Hoerner of Pawleys Island; daughter-in-law, Patricia Hoerner Chase and her husband Kenneth Chase of Pawleys Island; nephews, Craig Bowdoin, Paul Bowdoin and Larry Bowdoin; John Hoerner, Hal Hurst Hoerner, and Richard Hoerner. Virginia will be remembered for her love of art, nature, animals and devotion to her son Mark and her family. Her uplifting attitude and positive outlook on life, showed her love and faith in God. Her grace, dignity and sense of humor will be long remembered and passed down to all those whom she loved. Her spiritual gift of art and detail allowed her to see and share the beauty of God's creation. A memorial service will be held at 11:00 AM Monday, September 7, 2009 at Pawleys Island Community Church Chapel, with Reverend Don Williams officiating. Family will receive friends Sunday, September 6, 2009 from 5:00-7:00PM at Goldfinch Funeral Home, Litchfield/Pawleys Chapel. Memorial donations may be made to, The Savannah Art Association, PO Box 15331 Savannah, GA 31406; The St. Francis Humane Society, 125 Ridge Road Georgetown, SC 29440 or to Pawleys Island Community Church, Memorial Garden Fund, 10304 Ocean Hwy. Pawleys Island, SC 29585. An online guestbook is available at www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com Goldfinch Funeral Home, Litchfield/Pawleys Chapel is in charge of the arrangements.

Tribute Wall



“ Dear Mandy and Pat: Billy and I are deeply saddened to hear about Virginia's passing. I am reminded of her artistic gift every time I look at the wonderful portrait of Billy that she painted. She really captured him - except for less hair and a few wrinkles, he still has that same look on his face. I am sorry I never got to know her better - she lead such an interesting life. Imagine the courage it must have taken to volunteer to go to war. She was so devoted Mark and to the two of you. You four made a special family. I know the closeness you have will help you through this time and all the others to come. I love you both. My thoughts are with you at this difficult time.##imported-begin##Karen Hogan##imported-end##

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“ Our families thoughts and prayers are with you at this sad time. Virginia was a very special lady and we were fortunate to have been friends for many years. We have several of her paintings and will treasure them as well as her memory. With deepest sympathy. Jackie Timms and family##imported-begin##Mrs. Jackie Timms##imported-end##

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