

Deanna Phillips Kimbrough (1937 – 2021) M.4.10.1.3



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Thomasville, Alabama

Deanna Phillips Kimbrough was born on July 23, 1937, in Meridian, Mississippi. She died at her home on July 22, 2021. She was preceded in death by her parents John David Phillips, Jr. and Jessie Frank Christopher Phillips. She is survived by her husband of sixty years, Judge Hardie Bradford Kimbrough, Sr.; her children, Jessica Kimbrough Fox (Loran Fox), Mobile and Hardie Bradford Kimbrough, Jr. (Dr. Jill Siniard), Birmingham; her three grandchildren, Dr. Julia Bradford Kimbrough, Charleston, South Carolina, Hardie Bradford Kimbrough, III (Katherine), Birmingham and Jackson Ellis Kimbrough, Auburn; her brother John David Phillips, III, Thomasville, and sisters-in-law Elizabeth Ann Kimbrough, Spanish Fort and Kay Lindsey Kimbrough, Mobile.

Deanna graduated from Thomasville High School in 1955. She was the Valedictorian of her class and recipient of an Honors Scholarship to Alabama College. She was a 1959 graduate of the University of Alabama majoring in Secondary Education with a concentration in English and was a member of Pi Beta Phi social sorority.

Deanna began her teaching career at Tuscaloosa High School before marrying Hardie. She then taught elementary school in the Thomasville City School system and finished her career with over twenty years as a high school English teacher at Thomasville High School.

She was a lifelong member of the Thomasville United Methodist Church. Deanna helped found the Young Adults Sunday School Class, now the Friendship Class. She was a past-president of the United Methodist Women and sang in the Chancel Choir for forty-two years.

Deanna was a volunteer in the local community and supporter of many worthwhile organizations. She served on the Alumni Advisory Board for the University of Alabama School of Education. She established and funded The Deanna Phillips Kimbrough Endowed Scholarship in English Literature at the University of Alabama.

A visitation will be held at the Thomasville United Methodist Church on Monday, July 26, 2021, from 1:00 to 2:00 with a service to follow at 2:00. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the Thomasville United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 185, Thomasville, AL 36784

Arrangements by O'Bryant Chapel Funeral Home.