



Obituary

Born: Tuesday, May 15, 1934

Died: Monday, October 8, 2018

Durden-Hudson Funeral Directors announces the death of Dr. Jean B. Bridges, age 84, of Swainsboro, GA on Monday, October 8, 2018 surrounded by her loving family, at the East Georgia Regional Medical Center in Statesboro, GA.

Funeral services will be Friday, October 12, 2018 at 3:00 PM in the Swainsboro First Baptist Church with Rev. Dr. Robert Blankenship officiating assisted by Rev. Casey Shaw

Interment will follow in the Swainsboro City Cemetery.

The family will receive friends Friday, October 12, 2018 at the church from 1:30 till time of service.

Pallbearers are Dr. John Derden, Dr. Willie Gunn, Mark Williams, Rev. Bennie Brinson, Brian Rogers, Noot Irvin, Rev. Dr. Gilbert Westberry, Watson Mosley, Robert Surrency and Sid Shepherd.

Honorary Escorts will be Delta Kappa Gamma members and David Emanuel Chapter - Daughters of the American Revolution members.

Dr. Bridges was born May 15, 1934 in Savannah, Chatham County, GA to the late Harold Jean and Lucy Huggins Bolen; was a graduate of Savannah High School; attained her Bachelors Degree from Mercer University; a Masters of Education Degree and Education Specialist Degree from Georgia Southern University; and received her Doctor of Arts Degree from Carnegie-Mellon University. Dr. Bridges was an English and Literature Professor, Charter Faculty Member of the East Georgia State College and Humanities Division Head retiring after 27 years. She was a current East Georgia State College Foundation Trustee; she was also staff sponsor of the Wiregrass Yearbook, Wiregrass Magazine, Baptist Student Union, and Student Professional Association of Georgia Educators for many years. In addition she also taught at Middle Georgia College, Brewton Parker College, the public school systems of Baxley, Vidalia, and Savannah serving the education industry for 50 years. Dr. Bridges was a member of numerous clubs and organizations, DAR, Delta Kappa Gamma, Phi Mu, Girl Scouts State Board, and Glad Garden Club just to name a few. Dr. Bridges received many awards and was proud to be the recipient of the Beta Sigma Phi Lady of the Year and the Governor's Award in the Humanities presented by Governor Zell Miller. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Swainsboro; member of the Missionettes and sang in the church choir. In addition to her parents she was preceded in death by her sister Jane Bolen Moore.

Service Summary

Visitation

1:30 PM to 3:00 PM, Fri Oct 12, 2018

Swainsboro First Baptist Church

Swainsboro, Georgia 30401

Funeral Service

3:00 PM Fri Oct 12, 2018

Swainboro First Baptist Church

240 W Main St.
Swainsboro, Georgia 30401

Interment

Swainsboro City Cemetery

Survivors include:

Her Husband: Martin Luther Bridges of Swainsboro, GA

One Daughter: Elizabeth Jean "Beth" Bridges McCall
(Robert) of Odum, GA

Two Sons: Harold "Hal" Bridges (Charlotte) of
Summertown, GA and Robert William "Bob" Bridges of
Shellman Bluff, GA.

One Brother: William H. "Bill" Bolen (Sheron) of Statesboro,
GA

Five Grandchildren: Joseph Bridges, Jenni Bridges, Gabriel
McCall, Carson McCall and Bolen McCall.

Three Great-Grandchildren: Carleigh Bridges, Chloe Bridges
and Vincent Bridges, beloved dog Daisy, nieces, nephews
and extended family.

Condolences may be submitted online at [www.durden-
hudsonfuneraldirectors.com](http://www.durden-hudsonfuneraldirectors.com)

Should friends desire, memorial contributions may be made
to the Dr. Jean Bridges Scholarship, C/O Elizabeth Gilmer,
East Georgia State College Foundation, 131 College Circle,
Swainsboro, GA 30401

Durden-Hudson Funeral Directors is in charge of
arrangements for the funeral of Dr. Jean B. Bridges of
Swainsboro, GA.