



Kathryn Chaffins

August 2, 1932 - December 8, 2021

Kathryn "Kathy" Hughes Chaffins (Hughes) of Mooresville, NC passed away peacefully on December 8th, 2021 at the S. Mitchell Mack Hospice House.

She was 89 years old and was born into a coal mining family in Salyersville, Kentucky on August 2nd, 1932. Kathy is the daughter of the late William Nicholas Hughes and Neva Blair Hughes (Blair).

She was a caring sister to Charles Hughes and Dolly Rumble (Hughes); was the beloved mother and best friend of Dena Myers (Chaffins) and the late Ronald Keith Chaffins; she was loving and irreplaceable "Nana" to: Eric Myers (Aneliese), Chris Myers (Cara), Garan Myers (Robin), Desmond Myers (Megan), and Liza Livers (Vancy); and to her twelve great-grandchildren, and very special niece and friend Christy Frye.

Kathy was preceded in death by her husband Kyle Eugene Chaffins, her son Ronald Keith Chaffins, her brothers, Robert Hughes, Woodrow Hughes, William Hughes, Wayne Hughes, John Hughes, Granville Hughes, Elder Hughes, and Ray Hughes and her son-in-law Harry Myers III.

She married the late SSGT Kyle Eugene Chaffins on September 20th, 1952 and was a dutiful military wife, traveling with him and living on many Air Force bases. She worked in commissaries on each base and worked with him on

each assignment. She remained devoted to him during his 16 years in service until his passing on December 26th, 1966.

Kathy was a self-employed hairdresser for over 40 years. She found immense joy in her work and especially in her network of fellow hairdressers with whom she shared many precious memories over the years, including an annual beach retreat. She enjoyed her work family and clients; she often called her female clients "her ladies" and could always be counted on to notice someone's hair, comment on it or "fix" it for them.

Kathy was an incredibly generous person. Never bought an item for herself unless she had already purchased two items for someone else. She was a member of Bethpage Methodist Church in Kannapolis, NC where she volunteered her time as a Girl Scout and VBS Leader. She was loved by her brother and sister and was the glue that held them together. She spent time looking after them, visiting, taking food, and lending a hand.

Her hobbies included ceramic arts, crocheting, growing flowers, shopping, walking with friends, day trips with social groups, a good lunch at local restaurants with friends and family, and making Christmas Candy - a love she inherited from her father and was always counted on to bring her favorite cheese ball to family gatherings. She always had a jar full of Little Debbie sweets at her home for the grandchildren.

A true coal miner's daughter, she loved music and came from a very musical family. She especially liked country music of the 1950's and 60's, Loretta Lynn, Roger Miller and Dolly Parton to name a few as well as 1980's soft rock.

The surviving family will hold a graveside celebration on December 16, 2021 at 10:00 am, conducted by Rev. Jan Brittian at the Historic 202 Government Road Salisbury, NC 28144.

For those who are unable to attend the service, you may go to the following

link for the live stream <https://view.oneroomstreaming.com/authorise.php?k=1639268471153341>

Memorials/Donations instead of flowers to: S. Mitchell Mack Hospice House, Hospice of Iredell County, 2347 Simonton Rd, Statesville, NC 28625 or Finn's Fighters at www.finnsfighters.org

Cavin-Cook Funeral Home and Crematory, Mooresville, is serving the Chaffins family.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.cavin-cook.com.

Previous Events

Graveside Service

DEC **16**. 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

Salisbury National Cemetery
501 Statesville Blvd
Salisbury, NC 28144

Tribute Wall



“ *Cavin-Cook Funeral Home & Crematory created a Webcast in memory of Kathryn Chaffins*



Cavin-Cook Funeral Home & Crematory - December 11, 2021 at 02:22 PM

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“ *Michael A. Hughes/Christopher G.Keller purchased the Enduring Grace for the family of Kathryn Chaffins.*



Michael A. Hughes/Christopher G.Keller - December 13, 2021 at 04:42 PM



“ *Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Kathryn Chaffins.*



December 13, 2021 at 12:21 PM

NG

“ I was one of "Kathy's ladies" for many years. At each appointment we enjoyed chatting about our children and she always kept me informed about what her grandchildren were doing as she shared about their jobs and music career. Kathy was a special person who loved her family very much and enjoyed her work. My condolences on her passing.

Nettie Gambill - December 12, 2021 at 12:50 PM

DM

Thank you so much!! She loves you all.

Dena Myers - December 18, 2021 at 11:27 AM

TD

“ We are so sorry for your loss. Kathy was a great wonderful lady. She was the best neighbor anyone could ask for. She was always there to lend an ear if needed. We only knew her for 30 years, but was the best 30 I could've ask for. She will never be forgotten. Our prayers go out for her family. And she will be sorely missed 🙏

Theresa Darnell - December 11, 2021 at 02:19 PM

DM

Thank you so much that means a lot.

Dena Myers - December 18, 2021 at 11:28 AM

CR

“ We are so sorry for this great loss. She will be missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Bill, Dolly, and Connie Rumple.

Connie Rumple - December 11, 2021 at 01:14 PM

DM

Thank you so much Connie!! She loved her sister so much. It's so sad that she wasn't able to make the trip to Kannapolis over the past few years.

Dena Myers - December 18, 2021 at 11:29 AM

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“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Dena Myers - December 10, 2021 at 07:33 PM

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“ 12 files added to the tribute wall



Dena Myers - December 10, 2021 at 07:31 PM