



## Margaret Jean Homan Atherton

June 13, 1920 - February 6, 2024

Mrs. Margaret “Jean” Homan Atherton age 103, of Wildwood, Georgia passed away on Tuesday, February 6, 2024. Mrs. Jean was born in New Jersey to the late Thomas Homan and Margaret Chase Homan on June 13, 1920. In 1941 she graduated from Mills College in New York with a bachelor degree in elementary school education and on December 18, 1942 she married the love of her life, Herbert Atherton. “Jean” and her husband resided in the New Jersey and New York area until 1946. From there she lived in South Carolina, North Carolina and Kentucky until 1963 when she moved to Wildwood, Georgia. Mrs. Jean was of the Seventh Day Adventist faith and loved teaching and reading. She was an elementary teacher at Wildwood Health Institute from 1963 until she retired in 2005. No conversation was too small to Mrs. Jean, she was always attentive and made sure to give you her undivided attention. She will be remembered for her gentle and kind personality. She was an amazing mother, grandmother, great grandmother, great great grandmother and friend. The last year of her life she was lovingly cared for by the wonderful staff at Country Haven Retirement Center in Ringgold, GA. Including her parents, she is preceded in death by her husband, Herbert Atherton; son, James Lawrence Atherton; brother, Thomas Chase Homan; granddaughter, Ashlea Atherton Hodges. Survivors include her children, Judy (Michael) Mullins, Thomas Atherton, Stephen (Chere) Atherton; seven grandchildren, eight great grandchildren, one great great grandchild, as well as many extended friends and family. A memorial service will be held at a later

date in Wildwood, Georgia. Online guest book at  
[www.wilsonfuneralhome.com](http://www.wilsonfuneralhome.com). Arrangements entrusted to Wilson Funeral  
Homes ~ Wallis-Stewart Chapel, Ringgold, Georgia.

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“ Aunt Jean was a wonderful witness for the Lord. She and Uncle Herb were our counselors during our "courting days." We counted them second parents and precious friends. Aunt Jean loved working with lifestyle guests. She was an inspiration and a lovely person in love with her Savior. We thank the Lord for Jean and Herb and look forward to spending eternity with them as Jesus fulfills His promise to rescue His children from this earth and take us to a new land without death, sorrow, sighing and tears. Even so, come Lord Jesus! May we all choose Jesus and serve Him with all of our being. Love and hugs to the grieving family, Myron & Jan

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“ Jean was always happy to see you and seemed to have plenty of time to visit. She always wanted her life to reflect Jesus. Can't wait to see her again someday soon.

*Dean Sigsworth*

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