



Marie Mayes

August 2, 1939 - February 24, 2026

Marie Mayes, 86, of Chickamauga, went home to be with the Lord on Tuesday February 24th, 2026.

Mrs. Mayes, daughter of the late John L. Ledford and Ruby Taylor Ledford, was born August 2nd, 1939, in LaFayette, Georgia. She has lived in the North Georgia area for most of her life and was a member of the Shields Baptist Church in Chickamauga. In church she taught Sunday school, sang, and helped with the children's choir and vacation bible school. Marie left behind a life centered on God, family, and caring for others, especially children. She worked in many different daycare settings including Apple Brooke and South Rossville. Marie enjoyed sewing, ceramics, and crafts, along with cooking for her family. She enjoyed watching game shows, the Food Network, and listening to southern gospel, country, and "Elvis Presley". Marie will be remembered for her kindness and the many lives she touched through her care and dedication.

Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by her siblings Geraldine, Judy, Glazier, Raymond, Leonard, Leon, and Luther "Bud".

Left to cherish her precious memory are her loving husband Leonard "Sonny" Mayes of 68 years; her children Vickie (Mark) Castings, Vivian (Mike) Shoemaker, Tina Creek, and Leonard "Trey" Mayes; her brother Lonnie (Karen) Ledford; her grandchildren Jeremy, Lauren, Sarah, Josh, and Collin; her great grandchildren Isaiah, Katherine, and Olivia; and other relatives and friends.

Funeral services will be held at the chapel of W. L. Wilson & Sons Funeral Home, 555 West Cloud Springs Road, Fort Oglethorpe, on Sunday, March 1st, 2026, 3:00pm, with pastor Tony Vona officiating. The family will receive friends prior to the service on Sunday March 1st, 2026, from 1-3pm. Interment will be held at Lakewood South Memorial Gardens on Monday, March 2nd at 2:00pm.

Arrangements by W. L. Wilson & Sons Funeral Home at 555 West Cloud Springs Road, Fort Oglethorpe.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 1. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

W. L. Wilson & Sons Funeral Home-Ft. Oglethorpe Chapel
555 West Cloud Springs Road
Ft. Oglethorpe, GA 30742
(706) 866-5555
info@wilsonfuneralhome.com
<https://www.wilsonfuneralhome.com/>

Funeral Service

MAR 1. 3:00 PM (ET)

W. L. Wilson & Sons Funeral Home-Ft. Oglethorpe Chapel
555 West Cloud Springs Road
Ft. Oglethorpe, GA 30742
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Burial

MAR 2. 2:00 PM (ET)

Lakewood Memory Gardens South
325 Greens Lake Road
Rossville, GA 30741
(706) 866-7777

Tribute Wall

AN

“ *Trey,
I am so sorry for your loss. I pray you have peace and comfort
during this sad time.*

Angie Cuzzort

Angie - March 02 at 02:32 PM

SF

“ *Stacy Foltz planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Marie Mayes.*

Stacy Foltz - March 02 at 09:18 AM

SF

“ *Stacy Foltz purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Marie Mayes.*



Stacy Foltz - March 02 at 09:18 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Marie Mayes.*



February 27 at 03:00 PM

KS

“ Marie was a true servant of God. She loved teaching children and they loved her. She will be missed as she was a big part of our church family.. prayers for Bro. Sonny and the family

Kathy Shahan - February 26 at 06:28 PM

WB

“ This sweet lady will be missed so very much. She showed her love to so many. A great loss to the church and all that knew her. Wade and I truly loved you!



Wade and Kathy Bates - February 26 at 11:06 AM

JH

“ Bro. Sonny and family, I am sorry for your loss. Sister Marie was a blessing to everyone who knew her. She was a precious person and loved her Lord, family, friends. I considered her a friend. She will definitely be missed. My thoughts and prayers are with the family, and many friends she leaves behind. Our loss is Heaven's gain. Love you guys. James Helton, Rossville, Ga.



James Helton - February 25 at 10:09 PM

YT

I loved my Aunt Sis with all my heart! I will truly miss her! We would talk about my momma “Dink” her sister Geraldine’s nickname. I would fix her hair from time to time. She had the prettiest head of hair I’ve ever seen!!! When momma passed I really was drawn to her. She was always available to talk to me. She was precious to me and I will truly miss her being in my life!! I love you Aunt Sis! Give my momma a big hug and kiss for me!! “Your niece Yulonda”

Yulonda Taylor - March 02 at 10:27 AM