The LAHS community has lost a very special lady, Ms. Marian Hodge Stevens. Marian was a supporter of LAHS for many years, coming up to the Fort from Brunswick for the monthly meetings. When I saw her coming into the meeting room she always met me with an eager smile, that seemed to glow like that of an excited child. She will indeed be missed by all who knew her. Her husband Steve Stevens was a BOD member.



Marian Hodge Stevens Obituary

Marian Stevens

Marian Hodge Stevens, 98, died Saturday, Dec. 14, after a prolonged illness.

Marian was born in 1926, in Brunswick. She was raised in Brunswick until she and her parents moved to South Carolina, where she graduated from Summerville High School in 1943. Marian attended Winthrop College in Rock Hill, South Carolina, where she graduated in three years with a bachelor's degree in business.

After college, she returned to Brunswick where she worked for 14 years at the Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Co.

Marian Hodge married Norman Wilcox "Steve" Stevens in 1958, and was married to him until his death in 2014. After her time at Southern Bell, Mrs. Stevens obtained a master's degree in library science from the University of Alabama. She worked as school librarian at Brunswick High School, where she shared her love of reading with the students of Brunswick for 28 years.

Upon retirement, Mrs. Stevens expressed her deep love for Brunswick and the Golden Isles by volunteering with the St. Simons Island Lighthouse Museum, the Lower Altamaha Historical Society, Coastal Georgia Historical Society, Friends of the Brunswick-Glynn County Library, Friends of Sapelo, Alpha Delta Kappa and the Shoreline Dance Club.

When Marian was 94, her youngest grandchildren interviewed her and learned that her favorite childhood activities were climbing trees, bicycling, and of course, reading. Her joy in reading never faded, but expanded to include "telling other people what to read." Her curiosity about people and places endured throughout her life, and, as she put it, she never met a stranger.

Mrs. Stevens is survived by her daughters, Terri Simmons (Tom) of Acworth and Susan Trotti (Jeff) of Avondale Estates; her son, Charles Stevens (Rebecca), of Denver; and five grandchildren, Lawrence and Victoria Trotti, Jessica Simmons and Brody and Rowan Stevens.

A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 21 at First Presbyterian Church of Brunswick, 1105 Union St., Brunswick, GA 31520, with Pastor Jimmy Griffin officiating.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests a donation be made in Mrs. Stevens' honor to the First Presbyterian Church of Brunswick or the Friends of the Brunswick-Glynn County Library.

Edo Miller and Sons Funeral Home, <u>www.edomillerandsons.com</u>, is in charge of the arrangements.

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