



Mrs. Dorothy Brooks Crippen

May 2, 1931 - February 14, 2025

Dorothy Brooks Crippen, 93, wife of the late Donald Crippen, MD, of Seneca, passed away on Friday, February 14, 2025, at Cottingham Hospice House.

Born in Franklin County, GA, Mrs. Crippen was the daughter of the late Benjamin and Carrie Carter Brooks. She was the oldest daughter of eight children and helped take care of her family from an early age.

She graduated high school in 1949, a fact she was proud of along with being a cheerleader and basketball star. She married the love of her life, Don, and together they created a life and legacy that will live on for generations.

She helped Don successfully manage his medical practice during their time in South Carolina until his retirement. He always said she was the driving force behind everything they did, personally and professionally. Their love and devotion to one another was truly inspiring.

In 1989, Mrs. Crippen was instrumental in the founding of Hospice of the Foothills. She and her husband were presented with the Order of the Palmetto in 1994, the state's highest civilian honor awarded in South Carolina, for their work in hospice care.

Mrs. Crippen was a devout Christian woman, giving all glory to God. She was a member of St. Mark United Methodist Church.

She enjoyed entertaining, traveling, her many cherished friendships, and tending to her flowers, but she was the happiest when she was in the home that she and Don built being a wife, mother, and Grami. She was the epitome of class and grace and the very definition of love. There was never a missed opportunity to say "I love you with my whole heart" and she showed it every chance she got.

Mrs. Crippen will live on through her daughter: Patti Morris; granddaughters: Crystal Chitwood (Brian) and Denise Morris (Matt); great-granddaughters: Hailey Moore and Payton Morris; sisters: Virginia Childs and Annette Ripplinger; sister-in-law: Betty Brooks; many nieces and nephews; and her beloved caregiver: Rafaelita Leal.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by her brothers: Lloyd, Bob, John, and Bill; and sister: Nell Smith.

Funeral services will be held at 3:00 PM, Sunday, February 16, 2025, at Davenport Funeral Home Chapel, with entombment to follow at Oconee Memorial Park Mausoleum.

The family will receive friends from 2:00-3:00 PM, Sunday, prior to the service, at Davenport Funeral Home.

Flowers are accepted, or memorials may be made to Hospice of the Foothills, Crippen Endowment-which supports future needs and sustains services in perpetuity for Hospice of the Foothills-attn: OMH Foundation Office, 298 Memorial Dr., Seneca, SC 29672.

The family is at their respective homes.

Cemetery Details

Oconee Memorial Park Mausoleum

1923 Blue Ridge Boulevard
Seneca, SC 29672

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 16. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Davenport Funeral Home
311 S Highway 11
West Union, SC 29696
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Tribute Wall

GW

“ *Gloria Foxworth Washington lit a candle in memory of Dorothy Crippen*



Gloria Foxworth Washington - February 23, 2025 at 11:02 PM

PN

“ *Such a precious lady. I enjoyed my visits years ago working with Dr Crippen or delivering a pineapple upside down cake. It was one of her favorite. Patti and family my thoughts and prayers are with you. Patti Nelson*



patti nelson - February 18, 2025 at 12:02 PM

CS

“ *Carol Shealy lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Dorothy Brooks Crippen*



Carol Shealy - February 17, 2025 at 11:19 AM

PH

“ *I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this sad time.*

Patty Holcombe - February 17, 2025 at 10:11 AM

JH

“ *Joan Hawkins lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Dorothy Brooks Crippen*



Joan Hawkins - February 16, 2025 at 11:00 AM

JH

“ *Joan H. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Dorothy Brooks Crippen.*

Joan H. - February 16, 2025 at 08:48 AM

TS

“ *The Schildmeiers purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mrs. Dorothy Brooks Crippen.*



The Schildmeiers - February 15, 2025 at 02:52 PM

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The Schildmeiers - February 15, 2025 at 02:52 PM

RT

“ Randy Tilson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Dorothy Brooks Crippen



Randy Tilson - February 15, 2025 at 01:23 PM

WD

“ Wilma Dain lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Dorothy Brooks Crippen



Wilma Dain - February 15, 2025 at 12:09 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Mrs. Dorothy Brooks Crippen.



February 15, 2025 at 11:44 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Mrs. Dorothy Brooks Crippen.

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WB

“ Wayne F. Barton lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Dorothy Brooks Crippen



Wayne F. Barton - February 15, 2025 at 11:02 AM

DM

“ Condolences. Prayers for all family and friends 🙏



Donnie Lillian Murphy - February 15, 2025 at 10:30 AM

HM

“ I worked part time with her and Dr Crippen and she was always such a kind and gentle person. Helen Martin



Helen Martin - February 15, 2025 at 10:14 AM

JB

“ Jimmy Barker lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Dorothy Brooks Crippen



Jimmy Barker - February 15, 2025 at 09:14 AM

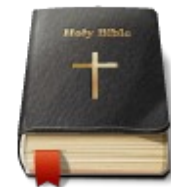
KM

“ Patti and family, amazing that this lady spent her final days in the house that she and Don built. I was the volunteer coordinator in the early days of HOF when Cottingham was only a dream. I can think of no other contribution to Oconee County than what this house provides. Your memories will help to ease your grief.

Kathy McGee - February 15, 2025 at 08:54 AM

DA

“ Don & Darlene Albertson sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Dorothy Brooks Crippen



Don & Darlene Albertson - February 15, 2025 at 08:44 AM

OF

“ OMH Foundation purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mrs. Dorothy Brooks Crippen.



OMH Foundation - February 15, 2025 at 07:50 AM

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OMH Foundation - February 15, 2025 at 07:50 AM

BL

“ *Bobbie Jean Ledford lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Dorothy Brooks Crippen*



Bobbie Jean Ledford - February 14, 2025 at 11:05 PM

HA

“ *Harold Alexander lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Dorothy Brooks Crippen*



Harold Alexander - February 14, 2025 at 08:51 PM