Mrs. Mary Lee Barnwell

November 21, 1936 - February 11, 2022

Columbia, South Carolina – Mary Lee was born in Greenville, SC to Louise and John Welborn. She passed into Heaven on February 11, 2022 after a long battle with Alzheimer's disease.

Mary Lee graduated from Furman University with a degree in Teaching and taught English and French across the United States as she moved with her husband Lee, an officer in the USAF. She was a devoted, loving wife and mother who enjoyed spending time with her family and friends. She loved nothing more than baking and cooking for anyone who came to visit. She had a beautiful alto voice and sang in choirs in Baptist Churches across the country. After moving to Columbia in 2002, she was an active member of Riverland Hills Baptist church.

Mary Lee is survived by her husband Ules Lee Barnwell, Jr of Columbia, SC; Ules Lee Barnwell III and his wife Fretta of Glen St Mary, FL; Lisa Sams and her husband Wayne and their children Cassie and Stephen of Chapin, SC; Jennifer Anderson and her husband Trip and their children Emma and TJ of Conway, SC.

She was a kind, sweet and gentle soul who would do anything for anyone. She loved to laugh and celebrate with those she loved. She is dearly loved and will be deeply missed.

Funeral services will be held at Dunbar Funeral Home, Dutch Fork Chapel on Wednesday, February 23. The family will be receiving visitors there at 11:30 a.m., with a service at 12:30 p.m. The burial will take place at 2:00 p.m. at Fort Jackson National Cemetery. Memories may be shared at www.dunbarfuneral s.com.

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Mrs. Mary Lee Barnwell

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So sorry for your loss! Deepest sympathy, love and prayers for the family and friends! May God give you strength in the days and weeks ahead!
Doug and Linda Reese Nix

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