



## Ms. Lorraine DeClercq Huggins

September 30, 1922 - October 27, 2023

Lorraine DeClercq Huggins, surrounded by her family, peacefully went home to her Lord and Savior on October 27, 2023. Born in South Bend, Indiana, on September 30, 1922, she grew up in Delray Beach, Florida, where her father was one of its earliest residents. She came to Tallahassee, Florida, to attend Florida State College for Women (now Florida State University) and made it her permanent home. She married Cauly Bee Huggins in 1943 and in three months he was deployed to Europe for over two years during WWII. Lorraine was a homemaker with four children until they opened Huggins Business Machines in 1960 where she served as the bookkeeper. They retired in 1980 and traveled extensively.

Lorraine had a 10 year career as an artist with the Senior Center and was a member of the Tallahassee Watercolor Society, the Georgia Watercolor Society, and LeMoyne Arts. For the last three years of her life she painted bookmarks, each one saying "God Loves You" on the back. To date, over 7,000 bookmarks have been given away across the United States as well as Guatemala, England, the Mediterranean, New South Wales, and Israel.

Lorraine was preceded in death by Cauly, her husband of 72 years, parents Victor and Martha DeClercq of Delray Beach, sister Flossie Graham, and brother Albert DeClercq. She is survived by three daughters, Martie Reeves (Kent), Melanie Huggins, Janet Holland (Mike) and son, Tony Huggins

(Karen); 8 grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren, and 1 great-great grandson. She was a member of First Christian Church in Tallahassee for 72 years.

Lorraine is buried with Cauly at the Tallahassee National Cemetery. A celebration of her life will be held Sunday, November 19, 2:00 p.m. on Huggins Hill Lane.

# Cemetery Details

## Tallahassee National Cemetery

5015 Apalachee Parkway  
Tallahassee, FL 32311  
(850) 402-8941

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

NOV 19. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Huggins Hill Lane  
Tallahassee, FL