



Barbara Kays Cooper

June 24, 1939 - March 30, 2022

North Augusta, SC—Funeral Services for Mrs. Barbara Kays Cooper, 82, will be conducted Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock from the Sweetwater Baptist Church. Dr. Paul W. Noe officiating. Interment in Sweetwater Cemetery. The family will receive friends at the Church Sunday afternoon from 1:30 until the hour of service.

Barbara Kays Cooper died battling cancer on March 30, 2022, with her husband Henry F. Cooper by her side. She was a loving and committed wife and mother—and a dear, kind and gentle lady leaving many friends who knew firsthand her personal, caring witness.

Barbara Frances Kays was born in Pryor, Oklahoma on June 24, 1939 and moved often with her parents who, among other things, worked on the Manhattan Project that brought World War II to an earlier end than otherwise would have occurred. She began grade school in Richland, Washington and moved frequently (she often claimed every couple of years) before her folks in 1950 came to the Savannah River Plant, where her father, Roy H. Kays, was Chief of Security and her mother, Frances Duncan Kays, was Executive Assistant to the Plant Manager. Bobbye became a North Augusta High School student, incorrectly thinking she was settled in one place.

Following her graduation in 1957, she attended Columbia College as a

freshman, after which she married Henry F. Cooper upon his graduation from Clemson College—now Clemson University. Subsequently, she again moved frequently with him and a growing family, to New Jersey, New Mexico, California and Virginia—including travel during much of five years in Switzerland and other European locations, before recently returning to become again a South Carolina resident in Edgefield County.

During this time, she graduated from The University of New Mexico, while raising three children and giving birth to a fourth. Then, with moves to California and Virginia, she became successfully active in real estate sales.

Throughout her life, Bobbye (as her friends called her) was a proactive Christian—in the early years working with youth groups and later especially in shepherding younger married, working mothers. She worked with the National Prayer Breakfast and actively supported missionary work, particularly as a Board Member and Chair of Oakseed Ministries International, which supports indigenous ministries sharing the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ to the needs of the world's poorest and neglected urban communities. See www.oakseed.org.

Barbara leaves in this life, spread from coast to coast, her husband, Henry F. Cooper, Jr.; three grown children, Laura (Jonathan) Fuld, Cindy (Kevin) Worley, Scott (Suzy) Cooper; eight grandchildren, Jeremy Fuld, Matthew Fuld, Emily Fuld, Mitchell Worley, Bryan Worley, Deanna Worley, Robert Cooper, and David Cooper; and soon five great grandchildren. She is predeceased by a son, David Franklyn Cooper.

Pallbearers will be Mitchell Worley, Bryan Worley, Robert Cooper and Matthew Fuld.

The family suggests donations in her memory to appropriate missions, in

particular to Oakseed Ministries International, P.O. Box 1139, Wheaton, IL 60197—whose vision is based on Isaiah 61:1-3.

Posey Funeral Directors of North Augusta in charge of arrangements (803.278.1181). Visit the registry at www.POSEYCARES.com

Cemetery Details

Sweetwater Baptist Church Cemetery

198 Sweetwater Road
North Augusta, SC

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 3. 1:30 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Sweetwater Baptist Church
198 Sweetwater Baptist Church
North Augusta, SC 29860
admin@poseycares.com

Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Posey Funeral Directors created a Tribute Video in memory of Barbara Kays Cooper*



Posey Funeral Directors - April 01, 2022 at 02:42 PM

CS

A beautiful life lived for Christ. Her fruits are many.

Celeste Spence - April 01, 2022 at 03:46 PM

DA

The Family of Scott Cooper we were deepest sorry to hear about the passing of of your loved one. May God Grace continue to shine all around the family. Y'all are in our prayers. Loleitha and Doreitha.

Doreitha Adams - April 02, 2022 at 12:35 PM

JM

So sorry to hear of Bobby's passing. We had a good visit not long ago. I was so happy to spend time with her. She was as beautiful as always. Full of grace and gentleness. My sympathies to Hank and family and friends. You will be missed, Barbara

Jane Murdock - April 02, 2022 at 01:20 PM

PD

Hank's beautiful and funny wife was a friend to all she met. I can't imagine how hard this is for him - like walking with one half of your body missing. My thoughts and prayers are with you, Hank; Bobbye doesn't need them because we know where she is. I will make a contribution to Oak Seed Ministries in her name, knowing that she will be looking after her ministries whenever she isn't busy looking after Hank. Paula A. DeSutter

Paula DeSutter - April 03, 2022 at 05:23 PM

DG

I share Paula's beautiful comments about a beautiful lady and our very good friend Hank Cooper. They are both "better half's" and we will miss Bobbye's strong light for us all. Dan Gallington

Dan Gallington - April 04, 2022 at 10:05 AM

JB

Beautiful tribute to a wonderful lady and a dear friend who will always be a loving memory in our hearts forever.
Johnny & Bert

Johnny & Bert Braid - April 05, 2022 at 10:34 AM



“ Barbara Kays Cooper

October 06, 2023 at 06:29 AM



“ Barbara Kays Cooper

September 24, 2022 at 12:12 PM

JB

“ Dear Hank and family, we just learned of Bobbye's passing and words are not adequate to express our sorrow at the loss of Bobbye. She was the epitome of true class and devotion to her Creator and most certainly is there to greet us when we join the throngs.

Sincerely, Joe and Marilyn Blandford

Joe & Marilyn Blandford - April 13, 2022 at 10:50 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Barbara Kays Cooper.



April 02, 2022 at 12:12 AM

VV

“ Verne V. purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Barbara Kays Cooper.



Verne V. - April 01, 2022 at 09:19 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Barbara Kays Cooper.



April 01, 2022 at 05:05 PM



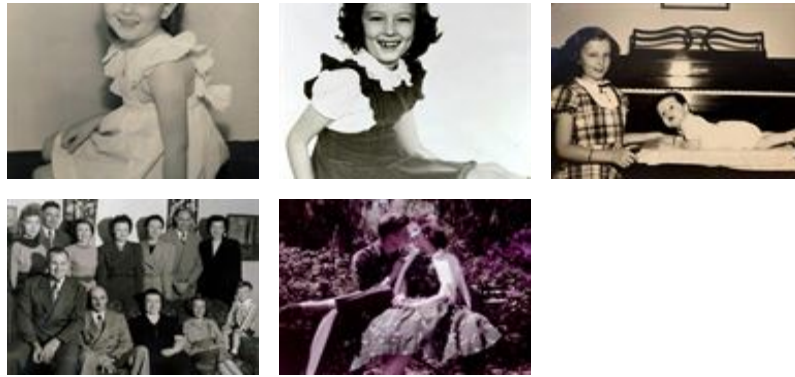
“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* was purchased for the family of Barbara Kays Cooper.



April 01, 2022 at 04:49 PM



“ 63 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Posey Funeral Directors - April 01, 2022 at 02:43 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Barbara Kays Cooper.



April 01, 2022 at 10:31 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Barbara Kays Cooper.*



April 01, 2022 at 09:37 AM



“ *May God bless this family in this time of sorrow.*

Robert Whatley - April 01, 2022 at 03:55 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Barbara Kays Cooper.*



March 31, 2022 at 10:09 PM

MB

“ *Bobbie Cooper was the epitome of a gentle, sweet, loving, and warm representation of Humanity. Her graceful entertaining and open door to hundreds of Arms Control specialists in Geneva, Switzerland during the 1980s/90s will be fondly remembered (by me) and countless others who experienced her zest for life, love, and family. To "Ambassador" Hank, my little brother Scott, and all members of the Cooper family, you know and appreciate that your wife/Mother/grand-Mom was a "gift" so cherished -- and will be so sorely missed; however, our Faith reveals that she is now in the soft care and caress of Christ, free from early bonds and pain. Thanks "Mom" -- may your truly Rest in Peace... I am a better person for having your touched my life those many years ago...*

Mark Joseph Biedlingmaier - March 31, 2022 at 05:39 PM

HB

*Tommy & I wish you & family will feel the loving arms of our Savior during this time. The peace of the Lords be with you always.
In Christ*

Helen M. Bates - March 31, 2022 at 09:04 PM

DK

Councilman Scott Cooper and family! We send our condolences and prayers during this time of sorrow.

Council woman Dr. Jackie G. Kennion

Dr. Jackie G Kennion - April 01, 2022 at 12:43 PM

TP

*Councilman Scott Cooper and Family,
My family sends condolences and prayers to you during this difficult time.*

Kyther & Taz Potts

Taz Potts - April 01, 2022 at 11:38 PM



“ *A Full Life was purchased for the family of
Barbara Kays Cooper.* ”



March 31, 2022 at 03:11 PM