



## Wanda June Caulkins

July 3, 1927 - October 28, 2020

Wanda June Caulkins, 93, of Clinton, South Carolina passed away on Wednesday, October 28, 2020 in her daughter's home. Born on July 3, 1927 in Toledo, Ohio, she was the daughter of the late Floyd Miller and Ione Miller of East Lansing, Michigan. She grew up in Michigan but lived for most of her remaining forty years in South Carolina and going to the beaches as frequently as possible.

A devoted wife and homemaker, she was married to the late Robert Caulkins for 55 years. Survivors include her children: R. Mark (Kathy) Caulkins of Birmingham, Alabama; Sally Burgess of Clinton, South Carolina; and Bruce (Kim) Caulkins of Orlando, Florida. She is also survived by her brother- and sister-in-law, Bruce and Joyce Caulkins of St. Johns, Michigan; six grandchildren (John, Matthew, Theresa, Charles, Cassandra, and Joanna); 2 great grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was a member of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod and loved to travel, go to the beach, and (most of all) spend time with her family.

An excellent, self-taught cook, her food and hospitality were always enjoyed by family and friends throughout the year. Her gregarious, outgoing nature was a source of happiness to anyone who ever met her.

A celebration of her life will be held at a later date.

As she had a deep, lifelong love of dogs, and in lieu of flowers, the family wishes for memorial contributions be made to Laurens County Humane Society, <http://www.laurenshumane.org/>.

Condolences may be expressed to the family at <http://www.grayfuneralhome.com>

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# Comments

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“ Mrs. Caulkins, or "Shorty" as she was affectionately called, was my 2nd mom when I was in college. Bruce would invite me over for Buffalo Wings and to watch the Bills game, long before Buffalo wings were 'cool' in the south. Shorty would make several dozens of wings for us until we simply couldn't eat any more. She loved to entertain, and I believe one of her missions in life was to be sure to fatten me up! I could not go over to the house to visit here and the "Big Guy" without getting a meal, whether I had just eaten or not. I remember her wonderful laugh, stories and pictures of her children and grand children, and of course the "Oh Bob!" when the Big Guy said something smart (or smart-assed :-).

I would continue to visit long after I left college, for the free meal and the wonderful company, hospitality, and love she had to share.

My deepest sympathies for Bruce, Mark, and Sally and the rest of the family.

Shorty, you are tremendously loved by your family (including me!) and will be deeply missed.

"For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord." - Romans 8:38-39

**Mark Ray** - November 11, 2020 at 09:35 AM

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“ Dr. Burgess and Joanna,  
We are sorry for your loss. We love your family and pray for your comfort during this time.  
Chris, Sabrina, Barrett, & Olivia Martin

**Chris & Sabrina Martin** - November 04, 2020 at 08:32 PM

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“ Prayers that the Lord gives you all His strength and Love to carry on. Prayers also for Peace. Gretchen Whiting



**Gretchen Childress Whiting** - November 04, 2020 at 02:35 PM