



Mary Louise Goines

December 22, 1922 - June 6, 2011

Mary Louise Goines was born to John Charles Corliss and Mattie (Schellenberg) Corliss on December 14, 1922 and passed away Monday, June 6, 2011.

She was an American History and Junior and Senior English teacher for thirty-two years. She first taught at Ft. Gibson High School, later at Muskogee Central High School, and then moved to the new Muskogee High School when it was built. She was a Junior English Councilor, and Sponsor of Gunaiké. She also tutored lots of students in her home to help them make better grades so that they might be graduates with their class. She loved her teaching career, and always graded her own papers, instead of using the help of her office practice girls. She wanted to make sure she got to know her students well so she could help them. She also was a sponsor for the Crack Squad during the time she taught, and traveled with them to many Rougher games. In fact, her favorite color was 'green'.

She was married to Wandell Eugene Goines in March of 1950. They are still thought of when people talk about the 'Red Feather Inn' and 'Hickory Chef' restaurants. People from out of town loved their restaurants. She loved to travel, and she and her husband had visited all of the states while he was living. Her husband passed away in 1991. Her hobbies was growing beautiful plants and working in her yard.

She received her Bachelor's Degree at the University of Arkansas. She worked for Muskogee Mill and Elevator (Bower Feed) for many years as their

office manager. After she and 'Gene' married, she went back to college at Northeastern State College, in Tahlequah, and received her Master's Degree. She retired from her fruitful career as a teacher in May of 1984.

Due to a lengthy illness, she lived with her sisters-in laws, Adene Goines and Virnnie Hogan. During the last nineteen months she had been a resident of Brentwood Extended Care and Rehab, Muskogee. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, and sister (Opal Peterson), and sister-in-law, Adell Simmons.

She is survived by Adene Goines, Virnnie Hogan; nephews and nieces, Darrel and Carol Simmons, Cruce and Teri Simmons, and Jewel Dean and Joe Perry, all whom she dearly loved. She left many aides, nurses, and friends who loved her very much. We also thank Cornerstone Hospice for taking such good care of her.

Graveside service will be 10:00 a.m., Thursday, June 9, 2011 at Greenhill Cemetery, with her nephew, Rev. Darrel Simmons, officiating. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the Activity Department of Brentwood Extended Care and Rehab, 841 North 38th Street, Muskogee, Oklahoma 74401. Burial will be at Greenhill Cemetery, next to her husband.

Cemetery Details

Greenhill Cemetery

1500 N. York Street
Muskogee, OK 74403

Previous Events

Service

JUN 9. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



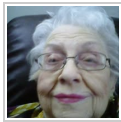
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“ *Mary Lou came into our family as a very dear friend in 1947. She and my brother were married in 1950. She has been a special 'sister' to Adene, Adell, and me, and we love her very much. I remember when my brother told Mom he was going to ask her to marry him, he said, "Mom, she is the prettiest girl you have ever seen, you are going to love her." She certainly did make this statement true! She was not only beautiful, but lots of fun, and very smart. She was a very special lady, and we are going to miss her. Love , Virnnie Delores Hogan, Sister-in-law*

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Adene, Adell, and Gene miss you very much. We love you dearly.

Virnnie Hogan - August 12, 2025 at 08:08 PM