



Mrs. Anne Hawkins Sercer

October 20, 1935 - November 3, 2024

It is with deep sorrow that the Sercer family announces the death of their beloved mother, Mrs. Anne Hawkins Sercer, 89.

Mrs. Sercer entered into rest peacefully at home in Irmo, SC, on Sunday, November 3, 2024. The Directors of Brown-Pennington-Atkins Funeral Home & Crematory are caring for the family.

A graveside funeral service to honor her life will be held at 11 o'clock on Saturday, November 9, 2024, in Bethlehem United Methodist Church Cemetery, with Fr. Michael Ridgill officiating. The family will receive friends immediately following the service. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made in her honor to: The South Carolina Alzheimer's Association, Attn: SC Gift Processing, 4600 Park Road, Suite 250, Charlotte, NC 28209.

Mrs. Sercer was born on Sunday, October 20, 1935, in Hartsville, SC. She is the daughter of Marion Dargan Hawkins Sr. and Frances Lesesne Hawkins. She grew up in the farming community of Byrdtown in Hartsville. Anne attended Hartsville High School and Columbia College. Prior to her marriage, her skill sets made her a valuable employee to the South Carolina Department of Education, the Office of the President of Mississippi State College for Women, and the Department of Defense.

After her mother passed in 1985, Anne volunteered for Alzheimer's Caregivers Support Group and was a founding member of St. Mary's Episcopal Church in Irmo, South Carolina. Anne was forever a dedicated and devoted mother to her two sons, Peter E. Sercer, Jr., and Paul L. Sercer. To Anne's delight, she was joyously blessed with a beautiful grandchild, Ryan, in 2021, by whom she was entirely captivated.

Anne loved life, and some would say she was a firecracker! She lived in Africa and Europe. From the countryside of England to the bustling cities of Europe, to the exquisite architecture of Morocco and all the places in between, her passport was filled. Her most treasured memories were vacationing with the family on Ocean Isle in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. Anne's guilty pleasures were shag dancing and chocolate treats, but especially Hershey's chocolate bars with almonds. She kept in touch with her lifelong friends until her final days.

Those who knew her well saw that her health had been failing for many years. They also saw her bright spirit, which allowed her to push through the suffering. No matter the depth of her illness, her strength never wavered. She was a loving and steadfast mother, grandmother, and friend to her final days.

She is survived by her sons, Peter E. Sercer, Jr., and Paul L. (Caroline) Sercer; grandson, Ryan; nephew, Marion Dargan (Lori) Hawkins III; niece, Elizabeth Hawkins (Trey) Macdiarmid, and Greta Anne Hawkins (James) Rowe; sister-in-law, Greta Carter Hawkins.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her older brother, Marion Dargan Hawkins, Jr.

Cemetery Details

Bethlehem Methodist Church Cemetery

2240 Bethlehem Road
Hartsville, SC 29550

Previous Events

Graveside

NOV 9. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Hartsville, SC 29550

Tribute Wall

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“ *Pete I am so sorry to hear of your mother’s passing. She raised a wonderful son who I am proud to call a friend. Love and prayers.*
Leslie Hanna Harper

leslie harper - January 03, 2025 at 12:04 AM

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“ *My sincere condolences to the Hawkins family.*
May she rest in peace.

Rachel Adams Doyle Medlin



Rachel Medlin - November 06, 2024 at 07:32 AM

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“ *Grady L O'Neal lit a candle in memory of Mrs.*
Anne Hawkins Sercer



Grady L O'Neal - November 05, 2024 at 07:47 PM