



Maudel Jones Hughey

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Maudel Jones Hughey, 70, passed away surrounded by her loving family on the morning of Saturday, July 19, 2025, at Lakeland Regional Health.

Born on March 11, 1955, in Bartow, Florida, to Herbert and Mertice Jones, Maudel spent most of her life in Lakeland. She graduated from Bartow High School and received a BS from St. Leo College. During her senior year, Maudel worked at a local real estate office.

It was through that job that she was introduced to Gary Hughey by a mutual business acquaintance. The connection was instant, and the two became inseparable. They were married on January 26, 1979, and shared 46 devoted years together.

Their greatest joy was their daughter, Deanna, who remained Maudel's pride and joy throughout her life. Maudel worked as an underwriter for State Farm Insurance for over 40 years, retiring in 2017. She was a member of Kathleen Baptist Church and a woman of quiet faith, generosity, and strength.

A gifted cook and baker, Maudel loved collecting recipes and menus, always eager to try something new in the kitchen. But above all, her deepest love was for her family. She was not only a devoted mother to Deanna, but a loving, maternal presence to many of Deanna's friends and classmates.

Known for her kind heart and generous spirit, Maudel often stepped in to support and nurture children in need of care, offering them the love and guidance she so naturally gave. Maudel is preceded in death by her siblings: brothers Jimmy, Billy, and Jerry Simpson, and sisters Sandy Norris and LaDonna Sayes.

She is survived by her loving husband, Gary; her beloved daughter, Deanna; her cherished fur-grandbabies, Ms. Kitty and Mr. Wilson; and many adoring nieces and nephews, all of whom she treasured deeply.



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A memorial service to celebrate and honor Maudel's life will be held on Thursday, July 24, 2025, at Gentry-Morrison Funeral Home, Serenity Gardens Chapel. Visitation will take place from 2:00 to 3:00 PM, with the service immediately following at 3:00 PM.




Events

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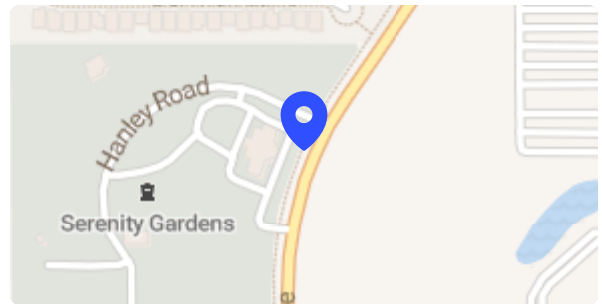
Visitation

 **Thursday**, July 24, 2025


 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM ET


 **Gentry-Morrison Funeral Homes - Serenity Gardens Chapel**

3350 Mall Hill Drive, Lakeland FL 33810



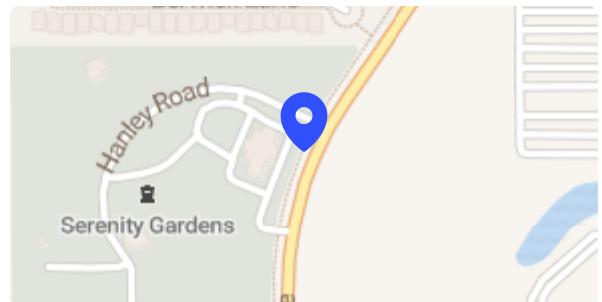
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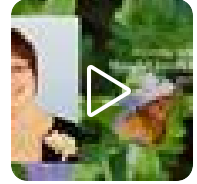
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Gentry-Morrison Funeral Homes shared a **Video**.



July 24 at 4:15 AM



Gentry-Morrison Funeral Homes shared a **Webcast Video**.



July 22 at 6:03 AM



Rosemarie Berry posted:

Mama Maudel, words cannot express just how you left such an imprint on my life and on my heart. You not only treated me as a friend but I was blessed to be part of the Hughey Family and treated as an extended daughter. You loved all of us so much and everything you touched was filled with so much love. I will be forever grateful for knowing you and most of all being loved by you. Rest in peace sweet Mama Maudel. Sending much love to Deanna, Papa Gary and the family.

July 24 at 8:01 AM



Janice Lovering posted:

Maudel was always such a sweet and caring person that adored her husband and daughter so much. Prayers of comfort for them and her special friends.

July 24 at 7:14 AM



Chris And Pam Adams sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Hughey family.



July 24 at 3:06 AM



Chris And Pam Adams planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Maudel.



July 24 at 3:06 AM



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Alan & Beth Norris & Family sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Hughey family.

July 23 at 12:13 PM



Barbara Sellet And Ginger Lane sent a Forever Our Angel Bouquet to the Hughey family.

July 23 at 9:59 AM



Anonymous sent a Love's Journey to the Hughey family.

July 22 at 12:04 PM



Anonymous sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Hughey family.

July 22 at 9:07 AM



Anonymous planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Maudel.

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Anonymous sent a Country Basket Blooms to the Hughey family.

July 22 at 7:16 AM





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July 22 at 7:16 AM



Greg Raymond posted:

I had the privilege of working with Maudel for many years, and during that time, I came to know her as one of the most thoughtful and kind people I have ever had the pleasure to call a friend. Her generosity, warmth, and genuine concern for others left a lasting impression on everyone who had the good fortune to know her. I will always cherish the memories we shared and the positive impact she made in my life. She will be deeply missed.

July 22 at 6:13 AM



Anonymous sent an Enchanted Cottage to the Hughey family.



July 21 at 9:11 PM



Chrissy, Casey, Austin And Justin sent a Country Basket Blooms to the Hughey family.



July 21 at 5:44 PM



The Orlowski Family sent an Arrive in Style to the Hughey family.



July 21 at 2:41 PM



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Cathy Kirkland posted:

Maudel, words cannot express how much I will miss you! Who will I talk to everyday and who will I have lunch with? Who will send me funny pictures and who will send me prayers everyday? I don't know what I will do without you. I love and miss you very much my sweet BFF! Love and see you soon! Cathy

July 21 at 12:33 PM



Cathy Kirkland shared 2 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

Maudel, I can't express in words how much I will miss you. Who will I talk to everyday and who will I go to lunch with? Who will send me funny pictures and who will send me prayers everyday. I don't know what I will do without you!. I love you and will miss you my BFF! Love you always and see you soon! Cathy



July 21 at 12:26 PM



Aunt Kaye And Uncle Ernie Deloach sent a Small Garden Dish to the Hughey family.



July 21 at 10:03 AM



Love, Hank & Julie Simpson sent a Beautiful Dreams to the Hughey family.



July 21 at 6:19 AM



Clark And Lisa Berry sent a Lavender Reflections Spray to the Hughey family.



July 20 at 5:46 PM



The Jewell Family sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Hughey family.



July 20 at 3:12 PM



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The Jewell Family planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Maudel.



July 20 at 3:12 PM



Anonymous sent a Sentiments of Serenity Spray to the Hughey family.



July 20 at 3:08 PM



Josiane Jones posted:

Maudel came to me for facials. I loved our sessions because Maudel was not the type of client who'd relax. She would talk the whole time. One day I told her that she would enjoy her facial better if she relaxed. She responded, I don't come for the facial, I come to spend time with you. After I retired we visited occasionally, covid and her illness got in the way those first years. Maudel was caring and kind. No ill word ever. She made a delicious apple cake that she treated my family with a few times. I'll never forget you my friend Maudel. The Jones family will miss you but heaven has gained a treasure. When Deanna posted yesterday, I had a vision of you running into Jesus arms. See you soon my friend.

July 20 at 12:36 PM



Kaye Tyson Deloach July 21 at 10:29 AM

Oops! I was only 11 years older than you!



Kaye Tyson Deloach July 21 at 10:24 AM

Maudel, I have such precious memories of you as a little girl. My mom, your Aunt Vermell, baby sat you and LaDonna while your mom, my Aunt Mertice, worked. I was 18 years older than you, but it was great fun growing up with you and your siblings! We are praying for you all. Much love!



Jax Pipkin sent a Fairest of All to the Hughey family.



July 20 at 12:35 PM



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The Alvin Jones Family sent a Country Basket Blooms to the Hughey family.



July 20 at 12:27 PM



Javier And Katie Rodriguez sent an Enchanted Cottage to the Hughey family.



July 20 at 11:55 AM



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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Maudel by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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