

BERNEICE LOYOLA BARE



Ms. Berneice Loyola Bare, 90, passed away Saturday, June 30, at her home in St. Marys, Georgia. Ms. Bare was born on December 4, 1927 in Ransom, Kansas to the late Frank Peter and Sophia Leis Roths.

Berneice, aka: Mom, Mamma, Grandma, Grammy, Aunt Berneice, Aunt B and Bernie, left home in Kansas at the young age of 18 to join two of her sisters in Washington, DC and help care for a newborn nephew. She also worked part-time at the soda fountain of a dime store. There she met her future husband Dean and married in 1947. They gave birth to their first son Deanie and soon moved to Florida to pursue work opportunities in Miami. According to legend, the car broke down in Jacksonville, so that's where they settled to raise their family, including the birth of their daughters Vickie in 1952 and Deanna in 1968.

Berneice helped her husband Dean in opening and running a sandwich bar restaurant in the downtown Jacksonville Atlantic Bank, as well as other locations. But for the most part, Berneice enjoyed being a homemaker raising her family.

After Dean passed in 1986, Berneice went back to work for a few years running a small restaurant in the old Atlantic Bank on north Main Street. After retirement, Berneice continued to live alone at the family home in Highlands, north Jacksonville, until 2014, when she moved to live part-time with Paul and Vickie Hafer in St. Marys and with Deanna and Lane Iannucci in Jacksonville. Berneice enjoyed 90 years loving others and being loved by family and countless friends, and we will all miss her very much.

Ms. Bare is survived by her daughters Vickie (Paul) Hafer of St. Marys and Deanna (Lane) Iannucci of Jacksonville; her grandchildren Kim Bare, Deanna Dingman, Dean Bare and Hannah Iannucci; and her great-grandchildren Kate Dingman, Gabe Dingman, Grant Dingman, Zane Bare, Peyton Bare and Tenley Bare; her sisters Jane Boyd of Hilliard and Frankie Oliver of Ransom, Kansas; and her brother Bobby Roths of Ransom, Kansas.

Besides her parents; Ms. Bare was preceded in passing by her husband Harold Bare; her sons Deanie Bare and Ricky Bare; and numerous siblings.

The funeral service was held Tuesday, July 3 at the Chapel at Evergreen Cemetery on N. Main Street in Jacksonville. Interment followed at the cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial contributions be made in Ms. Bare's names to the The Lighthouse/WECC Radio Station in Kingsland, Georgia.