



Linda Mayes

June 12, 1947 - May 12, 2026

Linda Gale Craus Mayes was born to Chester and Roberta (Rittenberry) Craus on June 12, 1947. She left this life on May 12, 2026, at the age of 78. She was a graduate of the University of Tennessee Knoxville where she majored in education. She returned to school and obtained her Masters degree and retired from education as a guidance counselor at DuPont-Hadley Middle School. She used her skills not only professionally but to help friends, family and strangers. Anyone who needed someone to listen, found a friend in her. She was a light to many, never complaining about her physical disabilities and fighting to be independent right up until her final days.

She met and married her husband, Rex Mayes, April 22, 1972 and of that marriage came three bonus children whom she loved and cared for as her own. Randy, Renee and LeAnne. She was preceded in death by her mother and father as well as her brother, Burton (Bubba) Craus and her grandson, Heath Dodson. She is survived by her beloved poodle, Dolly; bonus children, Randy Mayes (Debbie) and LeAnne Mayes Dodson (Marty); grandson, Dustin Dodson (Elizabeth); great grandchildren Mason, Bryce, Jace and Kinsley Dodson, Niece, Debra Webb; great nieces, Emily Webb and Cassie (Joseph) Abeyta; great-great niece, Avana Abeyta; goddaughter, Deanna Moore, all whom she adored so much. She also leaves behind a host of loyal friends and children that she mentored who made her life here an enjoyable one. She was a member of Grace Church. She loved the Lord and depended on Him for her

strength. She has gone to a better country where there are no more wheelchairs!

Visitation will be held Monday, May 18, 2026, from 2:00 pm until 8:00 pm and Tuesday, May 19, 2026, from 10:00 am until service time at 1:30 pm at Phillips-Robinson Funeral Home. Interment to follow at Spring Hill Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to the Macon Bank & Trust Company Donation Account for Kinsley Dodson (615-666-2121).

Cemetery Details

Spring Hill Cemetery

5110 Gallatin Rd.
Nashville, TN 37216

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 18. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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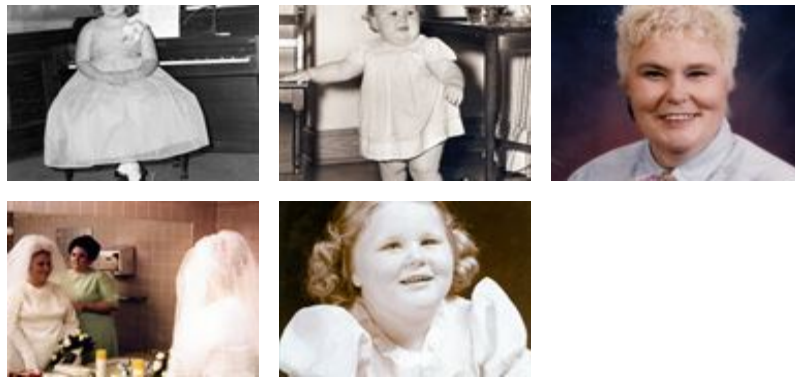
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