

Frances Catherine Jinks

September 21, 1927 - January 2, 2019

Frances Catherine Jinks, 91, of Orange Beach, AL, formerly of McCalla, AL, passed away peacefully at home with her family by her side on January 2, 2019, after a brief illness. Born on September 21, 1927, to Walter and Lucibelle (Johnson) Dixon, Frances grew up in Brighton, AL, where she met the love of her life, and life partner, Joe Wheeler Jinks, Sr. Joe and Frances were married 56 years prior to his passing in 2012. They spent many of their married years traveling across the country because of Joe's decades of service in the United States Marine Corp. Lt. Col. Jinks retired from the USMC in the early 1970's, and the two settled near their childhood home, in McCalla, Alabama.

Frances was a happy soul, spending her days at her home on Ono Island watching her favorite blue heron, "Big Bird," in the back yard, and watching boats going up and down the canal. Never a day went by that she did not light up the home with her sweet smile and her melodic voice singing many of her favorite gospel hymns. Frances was loved by many and she blessed the lives of all who knew her. She will be sorely missed by family and friends alike.

Frances is survived by her son, Dr. Joe W. Dixon and her daughter-in-law, Dr. Kim (Embleton) Dixon; two grandchildren, Kristin Noelle Dixon of Honolulu, HI, and Joseph Barry Jinks, of Orange Beach, AL; three great grandchildren, Seth Storey, Kayla Storey, and Alec Davis; and two great grandchildren, Willow and Rilynn Storey. She was preceded in death by her husband, Joe, her sister Yvonne Robertson, her brother Sonny Dixon, her son Mark Barry Jinks, and her granddaughters, Amanda Catherine (Jinks) McKendree, and Sarah Elizabeth Dixon. A celebration of her life will be held at her residence, 32244 Sandpiper Dr., Orange Beach, AL, at 2:00 PM on March 17, 2019. In lieu of flowers, the family is requesting contributions to the Semper Fi Fund, 825 College Blvd, Suite 102, PMB 609, Oceanside, CA 92057, or online at www.semperfifund.org/donate.

Arrangements are entrusted to Cason Funeral Service in Foley Alabama