



Jorene Haynes

December 16, 1932 - March 25, 2018

Jorene Haynes, age 85 of Morrilton, Arkansas, died Sunday, March, 25, 2018, at her home at Timberlake surrounded by three generations of her family. A public school teacher for 26 years and co-founder of Camp Timberlake, her gift of teaching went well beyond the classroom touching people from all walks of life to find empathy for others and confidence in themselves.

Raised in Watson, Arkansas, she came from a family of educators who passed her a passion for lifelong learning. She graduated with a B.S.E. from Arkansas A&M, where she met and married her love and life partner, Jack Haynes.

As a public school teacher, she found opportunities to work with children with dyslexia and other learning disabilities, while Jack was a leading counselor for the deaf and hearing impaired. Their vision for youth education led them and their young family to Santa Fe, New Mexico, Delavan, Wisconsin, and finally to Morrilton, where they founded Camp Timberlake in 1968.

Together, Jack and Jo turned a plot of land at the foot of Petit Jean Mountain passed down from her father and mother, C.C. and Reva Stuart, into a summer paradise for young boys and girls from all over the United States.

They designed adventures and activities for campers to learn to express themselves as individuals and develop the attitudes and ideals that form the foundation for positive life skills and character. Known to campers as "Miss Jo", she was the campers' mother, comforter, and trusted friend.

After closing the camp in 1993, she and her two children and grandchildren

continued to live at Timberlake, where she shared her magical touch and life lessons with all she encountered even to the end with her caregivers. She continues to share her love, compassion, and zest for life through her beloved family, children Terri Haynes Loyd and Todd Haynes, and their spouses Jim Loyd and Leann Haynes; her sister, Betty Webb, and brother, Buster Stuart; her grandchildren, Ryan Loyd, Whitney Haynes Romanoff, and Jordan Haynes, and their spouses, SJ Tucker, Stephen Romanoff, and Hope Hudson Haynes; and her great grandchild Hudson Mitchell Haynes; and countless others who have known and loved Jorene, Miss Jo, and Meme over her 85 years.

Her family will have a private celebration of her life at a later date. In lieu of flowers, her family requests donations in her memory to Conway County School Counts Scholarship Endowment and the Conway County Care Center Endowment, causes she championed all her life – kids and families in need. You may make donations to both through Arkansas Community Foundation at arcf.org. Arrangements are by Harris Funeral Home of Morrilton.

Tribute Wall



“ *Jorene Haynes*

January 30, 2023 at 02:08 AM



“ *Dear Terri, Todd and family. Robert and I were so sorry to read about the loss of your mother. You all will be in our thoughts and prayers.*

Linda Carruthers - June 29, 2018 at 05:06 PM



“ *It was a pleasure getting to know Jo. She was one of a kind and will be sorely missed.*

Melanie williams - June 29, 2018 at 05:06 PM



“ *Sorry to hear about our cousin!*

Kay Haynie - June 29, 2018 at 05:06 PM



“ *Terri and Todd & families, We were so sorry to hear of your Mother's passing and wish you peace, love at this difficult time.*

Nancy & Joel Taylor - June 29, 2018 at 05:06 PM



“ *So sorry for your loss. I only officially met her twice and she was a real joy. I know she will be missed greatly. Just know that all of you are in my thoughts & prayers.*

Elaine Tilley - June 29, 2018 at 05:06 PM

DA

“ Dear Terri, Todd, and Family, I am so sorry to hear about your mom. I have many fond memories of her from way back to our childhood days in Little Rock. Terri, we had so many happy times together at our homes on Delray Drive, and our moms were instrumental in making many of those happy memories for us. With love and sympathy, Debbie

Debbie Lusk Alber - June 29, 2018 at 05:06 PM

RH

“ She was a beautiful lady and a beautiful soul. I had the pleasure of being her nurse. She was one of my favorites. She will be missed. May God give you comfort.

Regina Hoelzeman - June 29, 2018 at 05:06 PM

MK

“ I was sad to see Ms. Jo passed away recently. She was truly an inspiration to others and had a positive impact on so many kids at Timberlake camp! She was loved by all who knew her. Her family is in my thoughts and prayers. In Sympathy, Merinda Gunderman Kordsmeier

Merinda Kordsmeier - June 29, 2018 at 05:06 PM



“ Teri and Todd, I am so so sorry to learn of your mothers passing. Becky, Rick, Dan and I have the best memories of days gone by when we all lived and played together. Your mom and the of course the rest of the moms where not limited to their own children for raising. I will always love her.

March 27, 2018 at 12:00 AM