



Ann Emery Hunter

August 29, 1925 - August 1, 2020

Ann Emery Hunter, 94, passed away on August 1, 2020 at Leesburg, FL. She was born August 29, 1925 in Georgetown, OH, the only daughter of Homer C. and Helen (Swope) Emery. She was reared in Bloomingburg, OH. After graduating from Bloomingburg High School in 1943, Ann married James W. Hunter in 1945 and in 1946 they moved to Miami, FL. They also lived in Birmingham, AL and West Palm Beach, FL before moving to Ocala in 1955. She was the retired bookkeeper for the family business.

Ann was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Ocala, and has served as Chairperson of the Children's Division, Chairperson of the Council on Ministries, the Staff Parish Relations Committee, the Mission Work Area, President of the Board of Trustees, President of United Methodist Women, Lay Leader and served as the Church Historian. She sang in the Chancel Choir for over 50 years and served as the Music Librarian for many years.

Ann has served as a member of the District Board of Ordained Ministry, President of the Florida Conference United Methodist Women, President of the Florida United Methodist Development Fund, Inc., a member of the Florida Foundation and the Conference Board of Pensions. She was elected three times to be a delegate to General Conference, served as Secretary of the General Board of Pensions, and was a member of the World Methodist Council which met in Honolulu, HI and Nairobi Kenya.

Ann was a lifetime member of the West Palm Beach Jaycee Wives Club. She served as President of the Ocala Junior Woman's Club, Secretary of the United Way, and President of the Marion County Senior Services. She was honored in 1973 with the "Service Above Self Award" by the Ocala Rotary Club. She was a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, the Society of Mayflower Descendants and the Magna Charta Dames.

Ann is survived by two sons: James Emery Hunter of Ocala and Lee Emery Hunter and her daughter-in-law, Nancy Hunter of Leesburg; grandchildren, Justin Hunter (Samantha) of Fruitland Park, Jessica Hastie (Zach) of Fruitland Park, five great-grandchildren, Delaney Hunter, Addison Hunter, Ava Hunter, Emery Hastie and Brooks Hunter, as well as nieces, Brenda Emery Hostettler and Kathy Emery Mulvihill and nephews, Gregg (Kathy) and David Emery. She was preceded in death by her husband of 57 years and her brothers, James Merrill Emery, Dr. John Victor Emery and Kirk Fender Emery.

Interment will be in Hillsboro, Ohio.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorials be made to the Music Department of the First United Methodist Church, Ocala or to the charity of your choice.

Tribute Wall

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“Ann was a special friend to my mother and to me. She and my mom sat together in the same pew in the sanctuary at FUMC for years. I was impressed with her organization of the church archives when I was doing design projects for the church. She knew just where the blueprints were for each of the buildings. She also kept up with other records, and discovered/verified that LuAnne Gay, Lynn Clemmons Nilson, and I were all baptized the same day as the first babies at the new church building. She was quick to share her fruit when she found out mom and I loved satsumas! Her energy and upbeat attitude were admirable, as she was so diligent in her leadership of all of the church positions she held through the years. Most of all she was a sweet, caring friend who will be missed by many!

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“The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace.” Numbers 6:24-26
In His Love,
Gloria and Bob James

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