



Mrs. LaDonna Griffin Hinesley

July 13, 1959 - November 29, 2025

LaDonna Griffin Hinesley, 66, of Foley, Alabama, passed away on Saturday, November 29. She is survived by her husband, Phillip Hinesley; her mother, Betty Griffin; her siblings Pam Stracner (Darryl), Greg Griffin (Laura), and Joe Griffin; her bonus daughters Maggie McDonald (Tim) and Anna Orbik (Aaron); and her grandchildren Madeleine Orbik, Oliver McDonald, and Marigold Orbik. She was predeceased by her father, William “Booty” Griffin.

LaDonna was a graduate of Oxford High School and continued her education at the University of Montevallo, where she earned a triple major in English, Art, and Education. She later received her MBA from Birmingham-Southern College. Her passion for learning guided a career grounded in creativity, service, and leadership.

She began her professional life as a teacher in South Alabama, shaping the lives of many students. Her entrepreneurial spirit led her to co-own The Print Shop in Gulf Shores. She later spent many years serving the City of Foley, retiring as Marketing Director. During her tenure, she played an important role in the development of the city’s museums and welcome center, helping preserve local history and strengthen community engagement.

LaDonna was a devoted member of First Presbyterian Church in Foley, where she served as an elder and leader. She will be remembered for her kind heart,

her quiet strength, and her steady commitment to the people and places she loved.

A Service of Resurrection will be held December 13 at First Presbyterian Church in Foley, with visitation at 2 p.m. and the service to follow at 3 p.m. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to First Presbyterian Church in Foley or the American Heart Association.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 13. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

First Presbyterian Church of Foley
195 E Berry Ave
Foley, AL 36265

Service of Resurrection

DEC 13. 3:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ I somehow didn't know this until just opening an Arbor Day press release from Foley about a tree being planted in memory of my good friend this month. I have three beautiful trumpet trees in my front yard thanks to LaDonna. Some of the best lunches of my life were sitting with LaDonna, Shirley Perdue, Margaret Childress Long and Zana "The Queen of Foley" Price at WBL. LaDonna and I never said much. We knew we were with the Mount Rushmore of South Baldwin story tellers. We would just sit there and laugh for a couple of hours listening to those three old friends share stories. I am sorry I was not at the service to tell her family how truly funny and full of life and positive and kind and smart and classy and beautiful inside and out she was. But everybody she touched already knows that.

Fran Thompson - February 05 at 09:14 AM

JR

“ June Land Reaves lit a candle in memory of Mrs. LaDonna Griffin Hinesley



June Land Reaves - December 16, 2025 at 04:39 PM

JR

LaDonna was one of my precious students at Oxford High School. Prayers for her family.

June Land Reaves - December 16, 2025 at 04:44 PM

FM

“ *Fran Machen lit a candle in memory of Mrs. LaDonna Griffin Hinesley*



Fran Machen - December 08, 2025 at 10:24 AM

KY

“ *I had the absolute pleasure working at The Print Shop for LaDonna. We were at once an all women printing business. She was kind, hard working and a lifetime friend. Your presence here on earth will be sadly missed. RIP LaDonna*

Kathy Yerry - December 05, 2025 at 06:13 PM

MS

“ *Sincerest condolences to your family from Tammy Guthrie Buford and Melanie Guthrie Smith.*

Melanie Smith - December 04, 2025 at 12:56 PM

SC

“ *I was shocked to learn today that Ladonna had passed. I absolutely Adored Ladonna, and always had the best visits with her along my mail route. I look forward to seeing her again someday. 🙏 What a wonderful lady.*
Shaun Clifton

Shaun Clifton - December 03, 2025 at 09:56 PM

KW

“ Peace and heavenly rest. Love and prayers to the family .



Kelley Wansley - December 03, 2025 at 08:09 PM

WS

“ William Swanson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. LaDonna Griffin Hinesley



William Swanson - December 03, 2025 at 07:48 PM

SR

“ Sandy LeCroy Renfroe lit a candle in memory of Mrs. LaDonna Griffin Hinesley



Sandy LeCroy Renfroe - December 03, 2025 at 11:47 AM

TR

“ Ladonna was a beautiful lady - she loved the tourism industry! She loved seeing Foley grow - she will be forever missed! Always a smile on her beautiful face to brighten our days at our quarterly meetings! I know she is now in Paradise with our Savior! I know we will meet again one day 🙌 Fly High our beautiful Ladonna 🙏

Tami Reist - December 03, 2025 at 12:49 AM

RP

“ *Sending prayers to the family during this sad and difficult time. She was such a kind and caring person. LaDonna will be missed by many.* ”

Rusti Price - December 02, 2025 at 08:12 PM

FL

“ *Frenchell Lansford lit a candle in memory of Mrs. LaDonna Griffin Hinesley* ”



Frenchell Lansford - December 02, 2025 at 04:38 PM