



## Marky Underwood

June 29, 1942 - June 22, 2025

Mrs. Mary Kathryn "Marky" O'Callaghan Underwood, 82, of Newnan passed away Sunday, June 22, 2025. She was born June 29, 1942 in Atlanta, GA to the late Leland James O'Callaghan and Mary Mees O'Callaghan.

Marky grew up in Atlanta, GA and was a 1960 graduate of Northside High School. She received a degree in history from Emory University in 1964, where she was president of Tri Delta sorority. She initially moved from Atlanta to Newnan in 1973. Marky and Delta pilot Ronald Lee Underwood married on June 2, 1985 and continued to raise a combined family of 6 children.

Retirement brought a move to beach life at Amelia Island, Florida for 10 years before moving back to Newnan in 2016.

Marky was a woman of many talents and interests, including tennis, bridge, music, and, later in life, art. She loved people, as her family and many friends can attest, and had a ready sense of humor, which she modeled after her father L.J. "Jim" O'Callaghan and paternal grandmother Mayma. Marky painted life with a broad brush, refusing to sweat the "small stuff." She brought joy, love, and laughter wherever she went, along with a strong sense of gratitude regardless of life circumstances.

Marky was a faithful member of Central Baptist Church, enjoying many facets of church life. She found joy in sharing her love of music as an alto in the choir for many years. She also found joy in service to others as a guardian ad litem and as a volunteer at Central Baptist's Feeding our Friends program. Her greatest joy, however, came from being with her family including her husband

Ron Underwood, their 6 children, 14 grandchildren, and 6 great-grandchildren. She was an enthusiastic attendee of graduations, grandparents' days, piano recitals, band concerts, and many sporting events including football, soccer, and volleyball.

The memorial service will be on Thursday, July 10, 2025, at 11:00 AM at Central Baptist Church, 14 W. Broad St. Newnan, with Dr. Joel Richardson officiating. The visitation is Wednesday, July 9, 2025, between 5:00 and 7:00 PM at McKoon Funeral Home, 38 Jackson St, Newnan. Rather than flowers the family requests memorial contributions to Central Baptist Church, 14 W. Broad St., Newnan, GA 30263 or Coweta Samaritan Clinic, PO Box 963, Newnan, GA 30264.

Condolences can be expressed online at [www.mckoon.com](http://www.mckoon.com)

Marky is predeceased by her brother James O'Callaghan (Leah). Survivors include her husband Ronald Underwood of Newnan; son Benjamin (Caitlin) MacNabb of Bothell, WA; daughters, Lisa McGregor of Hummelstown, PA, and Amy Hughes of Newnan; and step-children Sheri (Russell) Lamb of Woodstock, GA; Ronald (Jennifer) Underwood, Jr. Michael Underwood of Newnan; sisters, Karen Lyons of Greenville, SC, Cynthia (William) MacNabb of Decatur, GA, Wendy (Chris) Regas of Jacksonville, FL, Laurie (Eugene) Modlin of Hickory, NC; grandchildren Sydni Lamb, Patricia Underwood, Ronald "Lee" Underwood, III, James McGregor, Mary Kathryn McGregor, Kristen Rivers, Taylor Morry, Joel Hughes, Sheaden Hughes, Madison Hughes, Leland MacNabb, Hayes MacNabb, Kameron Davis, Parks MacNabb; and 6 great-grandchildren.

McKoon Funeral Home and Crematory (770) 253-4580

# Cemetery Details

## McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory

38 Jackson Street  
Newnan, GA 30263  
care@mckoon.com  
<http://www.mckoon.com>

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 9. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

McKoon Funeral Home  
38 Jackson Street  
Newnan, GA 30263

## Funeral Service

JUL 10. 11:00 AM (ET)

Central Baptist Church  
14 West Broad St./P.O. Box 1221  
Newnan, GA 30264

# Tribute Wall



“ *McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory created a Tribute Video in memory of Marky Underwood*



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**McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory** - July 09, 2025 at 04:46 PM

BP

*I knew Marky at Emory and was very fond of her. I remember that she took a class in Russian. I was amazed that she would take that on. I've wondered over the years what happened to her. Sounds like she had a very fulfilling life.*

*Betts Cotten Pobuda*

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**Betts Cotten Pobuda** - December 19, 2025 at 06:11 PM

PC

“ *PAM & TOM CLEMONS lit a candle in memory of Marky Underwood*



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**PAM & TOM CLEMONS** - July 07, 2025 at 01:40 PM

PA

*Thinking of you & your family! These are hard times but your love & memories will last forever. Mini & love you guys!*

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**PAM** - July 07, 2025 at 01:43 PM

JH

“ I am so sorry for your loss! Marky was such a delightful presence in choir at Central Baptist. I looked forward to seeing her and her “partner in crime” Mary Overton each Wednesday and Sunday. Thankful for those memories!!

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**Julia Huster** - July 01, 2025 at 02:32 PM

BO

“ 3 files added to the tribute wall



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**Bill O'Callaghan** - July 01, 2025 at 10:09 AM

AC

“ Amy, so sorry for your loss, and condolences to your family.

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**Anthony Cox** - July 01, 2025 at 10:06 AM

CO

“ Coweta County Sheriff's Office purchased the Vivid Recollections for the family of Marky Underwood.



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**Coweta County Sheriff's Office** - July 01, 2025 at 09:51 AM

CO

“ Coweta County Sheriff's Office planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Marky Underwood.

Coweta County Sheriff's Office - July 01, 2025 at 09:51 AM

LS

“ Ron, I just learned of Marky's passing and am so deeply sorry. Though we somewhat lost touch after we moved away, I remember her fierce intellect, as well as her charm, beauty and kindness. I still have some poems she shared with me. Our walks at the lake were a source of joy as we were like minded on many subjects, spent those hours solving the world problems and laughing hysterically. I truly thought she was an absolute gem! I can only imagine the grief you and your family are feeling. I hope that all those years of special memories bring you some solace my friend. A bright light has gone out and she will be deeply missed. Sending hugs from Linda and Guy

Linda Stokes - July 01, 2025 at 05:54 AM

JD

“ John & Karen Daigrepoint purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Marky Underwood.



John & Karen Daigrepoint - June 30, 2025 at 07:36 AM

OK

“ A beautiful southern woman. First time I met her I felt like I had known her forever. She was the warmest and kindest person I had ever met. Cousin Ron and family. She will truly be missed. May you find comfort in Gods love. Love you all

opal kunz - June 28, 2025 at 08:15 AM

GW

“ My thoughts are with the family at this very sad time. May she rest in eternal peace.



Geraldine Welch - June 27, 2025 at 03:44 PM

TB

“ Ron, I am so sorry for your and the families loss. When she came down to say hello to me after Saturday's jam she was so full of life. I didn't know that this would be the last time I could hug that sweet lady's neck. With her Southern grace and charm she complimented that Yankee boy from Pennsylvania. You two were a perfect couple and so much fun to be around. Rest in Peace dear Lady.

Tim Bellury - June 26, 2025 at 11:38 PM

SS

“ Paul and I are so very sorry for the loss of your sweet Marky. We are sending big hugs and praying for you and your family.



Selina & Paul Schwanitz - June 26, 2025 at 05:03 PM

JW

“ Joy Williams lit a candle in memory of Marky Underwood



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**Joy Williams** - June 26, 2025 at 12:36 PM

TP

“ My condolences and prayers to the family and friends of Marky!



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**Theresa Pritchett** - June 26, 2025 at 07:31 AM

PA

“ Ron. we are so sorry. Such a shock. Marky was such a fun person. Perry and I just thought she was so funny. Our thoughts and prayers are with you..

*Pat and Perry Adams  
Cedar Grove Family.*

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**pat adams** - June 25, 2025 at 05:27 PM