LURLINE WEST

Lurline West, a beloved wife, mother, and grandmother, also known as Mimi, passed away Wednesday, February 28, 2024, after a brief illness. She faded over the days but was surrounded by family who loved her through this transition. She ended her time on earth just as she lived. With inner strength, grace, dignity, and peace.

Lurline is survived by her husband, John West; a daughter, Claire West-Hogue (John); a son, Brandon West (Christy); and 5 loving and cherished grandchildren, Carson Webb, Weston Webb, John Ashton Pickett, William West and Austin West. She is also survived by her constant companion, her French Bulldog, Hank. Lurline was predeceased by her father E.L. Browning Sr., mother Marie Fincher Browning, and brother Lanier Browning.

John and Lurline met in Milledgeville, Georgia, in 1969. Their journey together included living in Athens, Rome, Atlanta, and Gray before returning to Baldwin County in 1987 to settle close to family where they would raise their children and welcome grandchildren through the years. John and Lurline had been married for 51 years.

Lurline was born in Telfair County on July 9, 1951, and graduated Telfair County high school in 1969. She studied at Georgia College after high school, but life intervened and she decided to get married and begin a family. She spent many years as a homemaker. As her children entered their school years, she entered full time employment. A bit later in life, while being a wife, mom, and working full time, she reentered college where she earned a bachelor's degree in 1992 from Georgia College. Her determination to finish her education was a testimony to her admirable work ethic and grit. Lurline retired from GCSU and the J. Whitney Bunting College of Business and Technology in 2014.

John and Lurline were blessed with 5 grandchildren who all lived close by where memories of times together became abundant. She was known to them as Mimi, and she showed incredible pride in all of them and was a consistent source of kindness and love.