Lauretta Baumgardner

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LAURETTA KING BAUMGARDNER FUNERAL WEDNESDAY

Lauretta King Baumgardner, 83, passed away August 31 at her home after a short illness. She was the widow of Talmadge Miesse Baumgardner, vice president and director of the Sea Island Company, and nationally renowned landscape architect.

Mrs. Baumgardner, the daughter of the late Alma Wright King of Brunswick and Harris King, was a descendant of coastal Georgia founders including Roswell King. A lifetime resident of Glynn County, she participated in the celebration of the opening of the original wooden causeway and was a guest at the opening of the Cloister Hotel.

After graduating as the valedictorian of the Glynn Academy Class of 1930, she attended Wesleyan College. She was a devout member of Christ Church, Frederica, and a member of its Charles Wesley Guild. She served as chairman and was an active volunteer since the inception of the annual Tour of Homes sponsored by the church. She was a member and former chairman of the Brunswick Town Committee of the National Society of Colonial Dames of America in the state of Georgia.

An active member of the community, she was a former President of the St. Simons School PTA and a long time member of the Library Board.

In July, she traveled through Ireland with her daughter, Lauretta Baumgardner Lingle.

Beloved by all her acquaintances and a wide circle of friends, Mrs. Baumgardner was known for her warm and vivacious personality and her generous and frequent hospitality.

She is survived by two sons, Carl Miesse Baumgardner of St. Simons Island and Thomas Wright Baumgardner of Conyers; her daughter, Lauretta B. Lingle of Lecanto, Florida; six grandchildren, including Katy Ask and Tal and Laura Baumgardner of St. Simons Island; Mark Baumgardner of Bartlett, Illinois; Ronald Northrop of Tampa and Thomas Northrop of Ocala, Florida; and two great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers are: Bernard Ask, Mark Baumgardner, Talmage Baumgardner, Peyton Lingle, Ronald Northrop, Thomas Northrop. Honorary pallbearers are Don Carter, Charles Gowen and Carley Zell.

Viewing at Edo Miller from 6 pm-8 pm Tuesday, Sept. 2nd. Funeral will be held at 10:00 am on Wednesday Sept. 3 at Christ Church, Frederica.

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