



# Mae Ann Owen White

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**M**ae Ann Owen White entered her eternal rest and went to be with the Lord Jesus on the morning of the 25th of January, 2015.

Mrs. White was a resident of Leesville and Vernon Parish. She was born in New Orleans, Louisiana on August 22, 1961. The older child of Chester Creighton and Gloria Leach Owen, Mae Ann spent nearly her entire life in Leesville. Mae Ann was a 1979 graduate of Leesville High School where she was active in many activities, including the Leesville High School Band and the Nine Club. She was an inaugural member of the Golden Cavalier Dance line when the group was formed during the 1976-77 school year. In 1979, Mae Ann won the Vernon Parish Junior Miss Pageant, competing in and representing Vernon Parish in the state competition, placing second in the talent competition.

After high school, Mrs. White attended college and was graduated from Northwestern State University with bachelor and master's degrees in education. Upon completion of college, Mae Ann began work in the Vernon Parish School system, which would be her life-long vocation. She taught at Leesville Junior High School and eventually transitioned to Leesville High School, where she became the librarian. During her time on faculty at LHS, Mae Ann was involved in countless activities, pouring her life into the school and most importantly the students of her alma mater. She assisted with the LHS Band, choir and sponsored the LHS Quiz Bowl Team. Mae Ann was heavily involved in annual and pivotal events at LHS such as the Homecoming Assembly and spring plays; she took on all tasks, including everything from designing and constructing sets to choreographing dance routines.

Mae Ann was a decades-long student and later instructor at the Stevens School of Dance and Joan Kathey Dance Studios. From the age of three through her early 50s, Mae Ann was active in the practice and instruction of the art of dance. She touched the lives of many students and families in her area of greatest passion.



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Mrs. White was born into and Christened in the United Methodist Church of Leesville. She grew up as a member of the Grace Southern Methodist Church of Leesville. Most recently, she was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Deridder Louisiana.

Mae Ann is preceded in death by her parents, Chester Creighton Owen and Gloria Leach Owen. She is survived by her son, Joseph Creighton Ledet of Lafayette, Louisiana, her husband Jamie White of Leesville, her brother Charles Owen and sister in law Carolyn Owen of Leesville, many cousins, aunts and uncles and countless students and friends. Mae Ann leaves a legacy of service, giving, and love. Mae lived her life in fullness and enjoyed spending time with family and friends, playing golf with her husband and sowing her life's time into the needs of others.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to the Leesville High School Alumni Association for a special scholarship set up in the name of Mae Ann Owen White. Donations can be mailed to the Leesville High School Alumni Association Scholarship Fund, PO Box 1381, Leesville, LA 71496.

Visitation, Leesville High School, 5-8 PM, Wednesday, 28 January, 2015. Funeral will be at 4 PM on Thursday, 29 January at the First Baptist Church of Leesville under the direction of Labby Memorial Funeral Home of Leesville.



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CW

**Cheryl Waldrup** posted:

I miss her so much. She was a great friend and so much fun!

January 19 at 7:00 PM

CW

**Cheryl Walker-Waldrup** posted:

I only learned of Mae Ann's passing today. She was my closest friend in high school and I am so sorry that we lost touch when I moved to the DC area in 1993. She was a fun, bubbly, energetic and kind person. I have so many fond memories of her. My sincere condolences to the family.

August 18 at 7:00 PM

SC

**Sister Leah Couvillion** posted:

I am a friend of Susan Skidmore. She spoke so highly of Mae Ann. She is in my prayers.

February 8 at 7:00 PM

JS

**Joan Smith** posted:

My thoughts and prayers are with you in your time of grief. May your memories bring you comfort.

January 30 at 7:00 PM

LH

**Luken Hartlage** posted:

Mae Ann and her family are in my prayers.

January 29 at 7:00 PM

CN

**Carol Northrup** posted:

"May the Lord bless you and keep you. May The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. May The Lord look upon you with favor and may he give you His PEACE." I will continue to pray for the Owen family.

January 29 at 7:00 PM



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SH

**Sharon Haymon Hennigan** posted:

Chuck and Family I am so sorry for your loss and pray that God will wrap you all in his loving arms and carry you through your days of sadness. I remember Mae Ann always being so bubbly and busy, seemed to always have energy and smiles to share. I know she will be missed by all her friends and family. God bless you all.

January 29 at 7:00 PM

GD

**Gloria Navarro-Dickison** posted:

Mae Ann, classmate and friend, we will miss you. You were always so happy and outgoing and fun. I'm sure you are dancing in Heaven.

January 28 at 7:00 PM

JK

**Joan Kathey** posted:

Dearest Mae Ann, Welcome home. Oh what a blessing it will be to see you again when we dance with joy before our Lord Jesus Christ! Love

January 28 at 7:00 PM

SK

**Scott Kathey** posted:

Mae Ann has been a blessing to our family her entire life. She and my mother laughed themselves to tears countless times at the end of long, tiring days at the dance studio. Mae Ann is a staple of my childhood memories, and she has continued to extend blessings of kindness, friendship, and help to my mom and dad in their older years. Though separated for a moment in time, the reunion with her will be that much sweeter when we awaken together in the presence of our Lord Jesus Christ. God bless and keep you in His care.

January 28 at 7:00 PM

DC

**David Cupit** posted:

Jamie, I'm so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you and the family.

January 28 at 7:00 PM



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CS

**Charla Cushing Spencer** posted:

Prayers for peace in this difficult time and joy in remembering Mae Ann.

January 27 at 7:00 PM

SL

**Shirley Edwards/Lett** posted:

Mae Ann will always be remembered by her sweet sweet smile and abundant energy. She will missed so very much!! Her Mom and Dad were so very special to me. God Bless her family!

January 27 at 7:00 PM

DA

**Debra Holler-Allen** posted:

Mae Ann preached her own funeral through the life she lived; one of giving, serving and loving. I refuse to mourn her passing because that is not what she would have wanted; instead, I celebrate her life, with smiles, tears of joy and lots of laughter

January 27 at 7:00 PM

ET

**Emma Tatum** posted:

My condolences and prayers are with Mae Ann's husband, family and friends. So sorry to hear of your loss.

January 27 at 7:00 PM

BS

**Bobby And Charlotte Smith** posted:

On behalf of the LHS Class of 1956, we would like to express our sorrow on the passing of Mae Ann. We were classmates of so many of her family members as well as being taught by her father. May the entire family find peace and comfort.

January 27 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

~ George Baumgardner

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SS

**Sandra Spurgeon** posted:

Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Mae Ann was a special person.

January 27 at 7:00 PM

DW

**Dave Wilkinson** posted:

You will surely be missed, but never forgotten. You were always kind to me in high school. To this day I have never forgotten that. Thank you for kind memories and your life of service Mae Ann.

January 27 at 7:00 PM

BC

**Brent And Cheryl Cockrell** posted:

Chuck and Carolyn, we are saddened to hear of Mae Ann's passing. She was very accomodating and helpful while we helped with your family's estate sale during the summer of 2013. We will always remember her as a friend. May you both have the comfort of the Lord in this difficult time and let us as Christians look forward to Heaven's rewards which Mae Ann now enjoys. Our prayers are with you and your family.

January 26 at 7:00 PM

TS

**Trudy Sartor** posted:

It breaks my heart to hear of your loss. May Mae Ann's family find strength through the Lord during this time of sorrow. Prayers to you all & may the Lord comfort you.

January 26 at 7:00 PM

KO

**Karen Cooper-Olmsted** posted:

My thoughts and prayers are with you all. Mae Ann and I worked together at the Lions Camp for Crippled Children. She had a heart of gold and made both the special children she worked with during those summers and all of us who worked with her better people.

January 26 at 7:00 PM

BW

**Bobby White** posted:

~ Bobby White, Singer, Louisiana Contact Me

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**Anonymous** posted:

So very sorry for your loss. Carolyn Applewhite

January 26 at 7:00 PM



**Ruthie & Mike Paris** posted:

Our prayers are with the family for the loss of Mae Ann. May The Lord comfort and ease your pain in loss of someone so dear. God Bless!

January 26 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

So very sorry for your loss. I remember Mae Ann as a fun loving teenager back in the day. Rest in peace. Lisa Midkiff Kretzschmar

January 26 at 7:00 PM



**Millie Merritt-Zane** posted:

We were so sorry to hear of your loss. The thoughts of many are with you at this time of sorrow. Zane Family

January 26 at 7:00 PM



**Helen Stevens Doucet** posted:

My thoughts and prayers are with you all. I have fond memories of Mae Ann, especially when she was a little girl with her sweet smile and lively personality. I know she will be missed by all.

January 26 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Dearest Jamie and family...Mae Ann was a wonderful lady and full of so much joy and love. Our thoughts and prayers are with you...always. Love, Dina & Steve Houser Rockledge, FL

January 26 at 7:00 PM



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**Anonymous** posted:

Prayers for the family.

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**Adam Clark** posted:

I just wanted to say thank you for your kind words to me during a time I needed it. Without those kind words I don't know where I would be or what I would be doing. So thank you for everything that you taught me.

January 26 at 7:00 PM



**Beverly Fontenot Stevens** posted:

My condolences. I know she will be missed by so many.

January 26 at 7:00 PM



**Charles Fisher** posted:

My sincere condolences to the entire Owen and White Families in your time of sorrow.

January 26 at 7:00 PM



**Susan White Chapples** posted:

So sorry for your loss.

January 26 at 7:00 PM



**Jane And John Beltz** posted:

We are so sorry for your loss. Mae Ann was such a caring person; many will mourn her loss for a long time. We will be praying for God to comfort you. Sincerest condolences to the family.

January 26 at 7:00 PM



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**Anonymous** posted:

To Mae Ann's entire family, prayers for your peace and comfort during this difficult time. To Charles, may the memories of your sweet sister's laughter and joy bring you solace! Liz & Thomas SwackerHouston, TXTexas

January 26 at 7:00 PM



**Jessica Slaughter** posted:

You were the one teacher who ALWAYS had our backs in school and loved us as her own. I had the joy of being around her all the time my junior and senior years at LHS as she was our Quizbowl coach and I worked in the library under her. She taught me to always challenge myself and to never give up. She always made sure I was included in everything and made me feel like an important person for the team. I'm truly saddened by this news. My condolences and prayers to her family. Jessica Slaughter (Haffner) c/o 2001

January 26 at 7:00 PM



**Jennifer (Smith) Herrera** posted:

I am so sorry for the void left to Mae Ann's survivors. She was a bright spot in my high school years and I will always remember her as a vibrant and passionate woman.

January 25 at 7:00 PM



**Dana Manning** posted:

My deepest sympathy goes out to all of Mae Ann's family and friends. She was such a sweet lady that always had the brightest smile and warm welcoming attitude. She has most certainly left an impact on many lives and will never be forgotten. May God bless and comfort you in this time of need.

January 25 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

To the entire family:Morris and I would like to extend our prayers to each of you.Morris and Jackie McRaeBuffalo, TX

January 25 at 7:00 PM



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**Debbie & Mike Riley** posted:

We are sorry for your loss your Mom was a great lady

January 25 at 7:00 PM



**Ed Hall** posted:

To the whole family of Mae Ann, May God bless you with his special comfort right now. Mae Ann was a special friend and a great lady.

January 25 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Jamie, I am so sorry for your loss. there are only wonderful memories for you now. my prayers are with you and her family

January 25 at 7:00 PM



# Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Mae by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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