



## Mae Inscoe

December 6, 1938 - August 26, 2022

Mae “Pooch” Aldene Black Inscoe (83) of Huntington, West Virginia passed away at home on August 26, 2022. Mae was preceded in death by her parents, Reba Waugh Sutphin Black and Shelby “Sheb” Black of Ona, West Virginia. She is survived by her loving husband of 61 years, Bobby Inscoe, Sr., her children Herbert Inscoe Sr., Sheila Gwinn, Bobby “Ronnie” (Connie) Inscoe Jr., Charo (James) Kirk, and Heather Black. Her grandchildren, who were her pride and joy, include Bryan Inscoe, She’Mae Inscoe, Herbert Inscoe Jr., Bobby Gwinn, Candice Starks, Zachary Inscoe, Elijah Kirk, and Jacob Kirk; and she adored each of her 11 great-grandchildren. Mae was preceded in death by her sisters Trelma Curtis, Onnahlene Gibson, Wretha Turner, Betty Ashworth, and Sharon Black, and two brothers, Carmel Sutphin, Jr. and David Black. She is survived by her three sisters Mary Jeffers, Natellia Hinkle, and Lodeska Harper, and countless nieces and nephews whom she loved dearly. Mae had a long and fulfilling life. Diagnosed at only twenty-two months old with polio, she developed the sense of resiliency, courage, and tenacity that remained her defining qualities until the end. Mae was crowned Milton High School’s Miss Greyhound of 1959, joining the on-field ceremonies in a leg cast only days after a correctional surgery. Although polio led to a life of physical pain, Mae never let this hinder her aspirations. Throughout her life, she fought for the care, representation, and accommodation of polio survivors, creating and serving the West Virginia Chapter of Post-Polio Survivors as the President for over 25 years.

Mae maintained a lifelong and steadfast faith in the Lord throughout her life, teaching as a children's Sunday school teacher, serving countless volunteer hours, and singing in the church trio. Her faith spread far further than church walls, however, Mae had the pure qualities of a true Christian. She lovingly and continuously gave, sometimes even more than she had, to anyone in need. Family holidays were accompanied by sharing her homecooked meals with not only with the family and friends present, but the local homeless neighbors as well. Mae never knew a stranger; she could easily spark a conversation with a wrong caller and still be in a long and fascinating conversation an hour later.

Mae's main joy came from her love of children. She not only raised five children of her own, cared for grandchildren and great-grandchildren but also maintained a babysitting business in her home for over 38 years, caring for 152 children in the process. To them, she was always "Nana" but for her, she loved and cared for each of them as her own. Mae cared deeply for her friends and their families, sustaining lifelong relationships with those she held dear. Mae was also an avid reader, gardener, and DIYer, loving a can of spray paint like only a true artist can.

Please join Mae's family and friends for viewing services Wednesday, August 31, 2022 from 5:00 PM until 8:00 PM at Henson & Kitchen Mortuary in Huntington, WV. Funeral services will be conducted at Henson & Kitchen Mortuary on Thursday, September 1, 2022 at 10:00 AM with Pastor Dustin Clark officiating. Burial will follow at Miller Memorial Gardens in Crown City, OH. Online condolences and memories may be shared with the family by visiting [www.hensonandkitchen.com](http://www.hensonandkitchen.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Miller Memorial Gardnes

17397 OH-217  
Crown City, OH 45623

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**AUG 31.** 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Henson and Kitchen Mortuary and Cremation Services  
1592 East Pea Ridge Road  
Huntington, WV 25705  
(304) 736-8986  
fredkitchen@hensonmortuary.com  
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## Funeral Service

**SEP 1.** 10:00 AM (ET)

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## Graveside Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Henson & Kitchen Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Mae Inscoe*



**Henson and Kitchen Mortuary and Cremation Services** - August 31, 2022 at 09:51 AM



“ *Mae Inscoe*

October 23, 2023 at 01:49 AM



“ *1 file added to the album Life Tributes*



**Candie** - September 04, 2022 at 11:21 PM



“ *Bobby and Family, so sorry to hear about Mae's passing. I always loved her. She was such a special person and friend. We stayed in touch through the years. Due to underlying circumstances we are unable to attend. Barbara Adkins Jarvis class of 59*

**Ron N Barbara Jarvis** - August 31, 2022 at 04:31 PM

NW

“ Mae was challenged physically throughout her life - - and never lost her smile!

*While I saw her only at H.S. Reunions since 1959 (which she always had*

*a big role in planning and carrying out,) I always felt her radiant smile when*

*we spoke by telephone. No one who knew Mae will ever forget her.*

*1959 Classmate Nancy Blake Wahlke*

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**Nancy Blake Wahlke** - August 31, 2022 at 10:47 AM



“ 34 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



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**Henson and Kitchen Mortuary and Cremation Services** - August 31, 2022 at 09:46 AM

JL

“ As a member of the Milton High School graduates of 1959, Mae Black Inscoe was a shining star: President of the Student Council, Secretary of Senior Class, and crowned MISS GREYHOUND. The Class of 1959 will long remember Mae's smiling face and sweet disposition despite her struggles from polio.

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**Jane Lambert** - August 30, 2022 at 08:38 PM

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Jane Lambert - August 30, 2022 at 08:31 PM

JJ

“ Mae's most endearing quality was her smiling presence with everyone. Her sweetness was a joy!  
Janet Seager St. John MHS 1959

Janet Seager St. John - August 30, 2022 at 04:29 PM

MA

“ Mason&Barbara, Andrea,Lisa,Christy purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Mae Inscoe.



Mason&Barbara, Andrea,Lisa,Christy - August 30, 2022 at 03:58 PM

FC

“ From Your Chateau Family (Johns Creek) purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mae Inscoe.



From Your Chateau Family (Johns Creek) - August 30, 2022 at 12:39 PM

VL

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V. Jane (McCallister) Lambert - August 30, 2022 at 09:26 AM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Mae Inscoe.



August 29, 2022 at 08:22 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mae Inscoe.



August 29, 2022 at 06:09 PM

MF

“ Madeline Hager and family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mae Inscoe.



Madeline Hager and family - August 29, 2022 at 04:38 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mae Inscoe.*



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August 29, 2022 at 11:34 AM



“ *Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Mae Inscoe.*



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August 29, 2022 at 10:16 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mae Inscoe.*



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August 27, 2022 at 09:32 PM



“ *So sorry to hear of Mae's passing. My son, Todd, and her son, Ronnie, played baseball together and we became friends. She was a sweet person and loved her family dearly.*

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**Shirley Smith Cook** - August 27, 2022 at 07:38 PM