



Michele Devereaux Hardy

October 3, 2009

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Michele Devereaux Hardy passed away in her home surrounded by her family after a valiant four-year battle with cancer. She was preceded in death by her father, Col. Ray Devereaux USAF-ret'd, and her sister, Janine. She is survived by her mother, Evelyn Devereaux, husband Robert Hardy, daughter Dr.

Meredith Hardy of Tallahassee, a son, Simon Hardy of Pensacola, her cousin and dear friend Mrs. Vivian (Mac) Simmons of Moss Point, MS and a nephew, Kenneth Black of Nashville, TN. Michele lived all over the United States, the Far East and in Europe during her father's Air Force career. She graduated from Pascagoula High School and obtained her B.S. Degree in Education from MSCW. She had a 26-year teaching career where she taught and mentored an estimated 2,000 children. But her real passion was in her art. She was a well known Marine Artist and exhibited her paintings on Bermuda, Jackson, Houston, Birmingham, Indianapolis, New York and locally. Over the years she was commissioned and produced over 200 oil paintings of Clipper Ships, Marine Sea-Scapes, and local scenes; and her works are in private collections across the nation. Her works may be viewed at www.mdhmarineart.com .

Michele was a devout Christian. Throughout her illness she attended First Presbyterian Church of Pascagoula, MS. where she was surrounded by the love and support of her many friends. The memory of this sweet child of God will be treasured by her family and all who knew her.

The Hardy family would like to express their sincere appreciation for the compassionate care provided by Doctors Edgar Hull, Dennis and Clarkston and the staff of the Singing River Cancer Center, The Hospice of Light, and Dr. Robert File and the staff at the Univ. of MS Stem Cell Transplant Center in Jackson, MS.

Visitation will be from 6 to 9PM at O'Bryant- O'Keefe Funeral Home in Pascagoula on Wednesday evening, October 7th. Funeral service will be held Thursday Oct. 8th at 10:00 A.M. at the First Presbyterian Church, Pascagoula, MS with Rev. Clint Regent presiding. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be given to the First Presbyterian Church and the American Cancer Society. You may view and register at her guestbook at www.obryantokeefe.com

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