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Mary Linton “Lin” Pittard Caldwell died peacefully at Pine Pointe Hospice in Macon on May 29th, 2024.

Lin was born in Orangeburg, SC on August 20, 1948, to the late Bobbie McKewn Pittard and Linton Yancey Pittard, Jr. She spent much of her childhood in Orangeburg and Augusta, Georgia before moving to Tucker, Georgia. She graduated from Tucker High School in 1966. From there she went to Dekalb College and the University of Georgia, where she graduated with a B.S. in Education in 1970.

In 1971, after teaching in the DeKalb County school system, Lin’s uncle, John Pittard, introduced her to Leslie Caldwell of Monticello. After a brief courtship, they were married on August 21, 1971, in Tucker, GA. Lin was a homemaker for several years while raising Mike, Dianne, and Fred before returning to her love of teaching. In 1984, she obtained her Master of Education from Georgia College & State University. She taught fourth grade at Piedmont Academy for many years before returning to school and earning her certificate as a media specialist. From there she took on the duties of running the library/media center at Piedmont Academy until her retirement.

Lin enjoyed a good game of bridge, she loved leading her exercise class at Monticello First United Methodist Church, and she studied genealogy avidly for years learning the history of the Caldwell and Pittard families.

Besides her parents, Lin was predeceased by her husband of fifty-one years, Leslie Caldwell.

Lin is survived by her siblings, Harriette Pittard Lockhart (Jim) of Kent, WA, Julie Pittard Morris (Dwight) of Georgetown, SC, and Robert “Bob” Pittard (Pamela) of Athens, GA. She is also survived by her three children, Mike Caldwell (Liz) of Monticello, Dianne Ross (Mark) of Gray, and Fred Caldwell (Amy) of St Augustine, Florida. Lin has ten grandchildren: Joseph, Morgan, James, Thomas, Sara, Danny, Sarah, Mary, Abby, and Lauren. She also has two great-grandsons, Braxton, and Rhett.

A visitation will be held on Monday, June 3rd at 10 AM at Monticello First United Methodist Church with a service to follow at 11 AM. Burial will follow the service at Towaliga Baptist Church Cemetery 160 Towaliga Church Road, Jackson, Georgia 30233. Rev. Ben Strength and Dr. John Brown will officiate.

In lieu of flowers, consider a donation to Monticello First United Methodist Church 651 College Street, Monticello, Georgia 31064.

Jordan Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.