



Audrey Gaskins

December 1, 2021

Audrey Louise Oast Gaskins, age 92, formerly of Churchland, died on December 1st.

She was born the second daughter of Ethel B. Kaufman Oast, and George W. Oast, MD and formerly of Portsmouth, VA. Raised in Portsmouth, she lived for most of her life in Churchland. Upon the 1988 sale of their farm and dairy (now a part of Harbour View), she retired with her husband to Portsmouth, where she lived until moving in 2010 to The Chesapeake in Newport News, Virginia.

She was preceded in death by her parents, by an older sister, Ethel Oast Speers of Chesapeake, and by her husband of 63 years, Charles E. Gaskins, Jr. She is survived by her three children: Charles E. Gaskins III, DDS and his wife Donna of Richmond, Robert O. Gaskins and wife Terri of Chesapeake, and Virginia L. Gaskins Videll and her husband Jim of Virginia Beach; six grandchildren: Christie Gaskins Farrell and Peter, Katie L. Gaskins of Richmond, Stephanie Gaskins and Philip Gaskins and Allie of Chesapeake, Kyle Videll, and Logan Videll of Virginia Beach; many nieces and nephews and their children.

Mrs. Gaskins was a 1945 1/2 graduate of Woodrow Wilson High School in Portsmouth. She then graduated in 1950 from Randolph-Macon Women's

College in Lynchburg. She briefly taught in the Portsmouth Public School System and then was a mother and a housewife for many years thereafter. She was a member of Churchland Baptist Church, where she taught Sunday school, and the Portsmouth Service League. She also volunteered at both the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard Museum and the former Churchland Library.

Interment will be private at the Churchland Baptist Church Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Cemetery Fund, Churchland Baptist Church, 3031 Churchland Blvd., Chesapeake, VA 23321.

Tribute Wall

DH

“ Charles, Robert, & Ginny,
So many good memories of your parents from church. Two of my favorite people since as far back as I can remember. When I moved back from California and New York your parents would let me walk around the pond area. I enjoyed talking to your parents. Robert and Ginny, I haven't seen you in so long. God bless you all and your families at this time and always with the peace of the Prince of Peace.

Denny Hollowell - December 14, 2021 at 09:31 PM

GV

Denny think you very much for your kind words. I have great memories of growing up at CBC and hearing your amazing voice in our choir. Hope you are doing well..

Ginny Videll - January 13, 2022 at 12:01 PM

CC

“ Charles, Your Mom and Dad were such an intergral part of Churchland Baptist. I have many good childhood memories of their kindness and always think of their smiles. I remember your folks reminiscing with my dad over "Old Churchland." My deepest sympathy to you and your family.
Cydney Cherry Cavender

Cydney Cavender - December 05, 2021 at 08:25 AM

JD

Charles

Like Cydney, I send on my heartfelt sympathy to you and your family. Your family is iconic in my mind of all that is good about Portsmouth & Churchland. I always lined & admired them. As I read her beautiful obituary I had a flashback to you with your centrifuge milk gadget in our middle school science fair and the good childhood they provided for you at that farm. God bless you and your family. Your parents exemplify a life well lived, as I am sure you do too. I notice that you're in Richmond. We are there often. My son, Wyatt Deal lives there with his wife and two little girls. Maybe I'll run into you sometime. Thinking of you. Jan Wyatt Deal

Jan Wyatt Deal - December 05, 2021 at 06:04 PM

SS

I am quite late in discovering the passing of an elegant, and kind woman. It has been many years since I was in her company, but I've never forgotten her and have many good memories of this special lady. Surely, she is with God.

S. Szeremy - March 28, 2025 at 08:18 PM