



## Florence L. "Jackie" Dews

December 24, 1936 - June 13, 2026

Florence L DEWS, but everyone knew her as Jackie, passed away the evening of June 13, 2026 at the Bailey Family Center for Caring in Saint Augustine with her daughter at her side. She was a longtime resident of Saint Augustine and in over 30 year member of Crescent Beach Baptist Church, where she arranged the altar flowers and was the leader of the CBBC singles group. She loved the Lord and he certainly put her many talents to work for her church.

Jackie was a native Floridian being born in Miami Florida on December 24, 1936 to Mr. and Mrs. John Leonardi. She grew up working in the family owned and operated travelers motel in Walterboro South Carolina, where the family was a feature story in red book magazine. She was a graduate of Stetson University in Deland, Florida, where she studied child psychology. After graduating, Jackie went on to become a flight attendant for Delta Airlines for many years before settling down in marriage and having two children. She then taught kindergarten through the fourth grade. After divorcing and with children grown, she became a travel agent I was able to pursue her passion of traveling. She has been around the world and has gone to far off places like China, took an African Safari, and cruised the Amazon. Jackie loved learning new things about people and places and would often use her extensive knowledge of Saint Augustine to give tours. In 2021, she carried the winter Olympic torch through Jacksonville. Jackie loved camping, geocaching, floral

design, gardening, and being outside.

She is survived by her daughter, Debbie, Reynolds, and her husband Steve, son Robert DEWS and his wife Lisa, three grandchildren, JenniferHenley, and her husband, Michael, Elizabeth Haymore and her husband Tyler and Mary Martin and her husband Ty along with two great granddaughters.

There will be no memorial service, instead Jackie asked that each and everyone love and take joy in their family and friends and give praise to our Lord Jesus Christ. She will be laid to rest at a later date in Walterboro, South Carolina.