

Mary Alice Mailhiot Queiros (1929-2013)

- *1st Brooksville City Hall Art Gallery Coordinator*
- *Brooksville Mural Society Founder & Chair*
- *2005 Great Brooksvillian*

Brooksville City Clerk Karen Phillips & Mary Alice devised a plan to beautify the newly purchased City Hall. The former bank had large blank walls perfect for an art gallery, long desired by art lovers like the two women. Mary Alice ran the gallery for 14 years & expanded beyond paintings on the wall to artifacts and sculpture. She also founded the Mural Society which commissioned the historic murals in Brooksville. A plein air painter herself, Mary Alice could often be seen around town, seated in a folding chair & capturing nature or historic buildings in pen & ink. She also regularly shared her thoughts in letters to the editor on a wide variety of what she saw as important community topics.



"I wanted the gallery to be known for high-quality works, a destination that people would make a point of visiting." - on her vision for the Brooksville City Hall Uptown Gallery