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Audrey Stultz Thompson died in Chapel Hill, NC, Sept. 11, 2014, following a long battle against Alzheimer's. She was originally from Winchester, Virginia, and lived in Memphis from 1971 until 2002, before moving to North Carolina. She was predeceased by her husband, John Russell Thompson, in 1998. Mr. Thompson was a Professor in the Business School at the University of Memphis. While living in Memphis, she was a member of Balmoral Presbyterian Church. She was a devoted caregiver for her husband, who had an extended illness of MS. Her family cherishes memories of her spontaneous personality that always found joy in family and friends. Ms. Thompson is survived by two sons and their wives, Steve and Cindy Thompson of Chapel Hill, NC, and Scott and Vicki Thompson of Nashville. In addition, she has 6 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren. She is also survived by sisters Philomena Weatherby, and Jeanette Leatherwood, and a brother Roland Stultz. A service for Mrs. Thompson will be held at 11:00 am on Wednesday, September 17 at Memorial Park Mausoleum Rotunda. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to Memorial Park Funeral Home and Cemetery, 5668 Poplar Ave. Memphis, TN 38119, (901)767-8930, "Behind the Stone Wall".



Tribute Wall

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LB

Laura Byrd posted:

My grandmother was an amazing woman with a level of strength I will always admire. Parts of her life were not easy and certainly not fair. I believe she was a fighter, but I am relieved her fight is over and she is now alongside my grandfather. I am forever grateful to her for giving me my amazing father. I feel blessed to have shared some great moments with my Grandma. My favorite times were visiting her in Memphis. I can remember as a young girl thinking the blue velvet seats in her car were the most comfortable, beautiful seats I had ever sat on. When we visited, she insisted on us blow drying our hair after every shower. She always said we might catch a cold if we didn't. It makes me laugh thinking about that, but I know it was the caregiver side of her. She was loyal to her family, especially my grandfather. I remember countless visits to the craft store to buy art projects. She used to love to take my siblings and I anywhere. We usually visited around Thanksgiving and she always enjoyed being our hostess during that time. I think I'll always associate Thanksgiving with memories of her and all those autumn visits that she managed to make so wonderful. She didn't care what we did, as long as we were with her. I'm thankful for having the privilege of knowing her, and will always miss her dearly. I love you grandma.

September 16 at 3:20 PM

JC

Joanna Thompson Choma posted:

Audrey was my wonderful grandmother. I have such great memories of her from a very young age. We never lived in the same state, but would visit her and my grandfather once or twice per year in Memphis. I'll never forget and excited she was to see our family pull into the driveway, and how she would cry when we left. She always had fun activities for us to do, and one of our favorite traditions was painting wooden ornaments to hang on a Christmas tree set up just for her grandkids. She made me feel so special, and so loved. And, she made us all LAUGH! Grandma Audrey was one of the funniest women I've ever known. I'll miss her terribly, but am comforted that she's now reunited with my grandfather and at peace after her battle with cruel Alzheimer's. Rest in peace, Grandma. I love you, and am so thankful for the memories you've given me. Love, Joanna

September 16 at 6:18 AM



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PW

Philomena S. Weatherby posted:

Audrey, my older sister. After our mother died 6 September 1936, our father's parents, William and Edith Miller Stultz raised us. We were raised in the town of Winchester, VA Our mother Leontine Stella Stultz was Italian and came to New Jersey with her mother and two brothers when she was 7 years old. Her father Antonio and her mother Philomena settled in Wildwood, NJ. My mother would come to Winchester to spend long visits with her in laws, who were very fond of her, and she of them. Our father, who was in the Navy had met our mother in Philadelphia when he was stationed there.. Audrey went to live with our father and step mother in Florida where our father was stationed when she was 17 in Florida. I stayed with our grandparents. She married John Thompson when he was a young man in the Navy. His brother Al lived in Winchester, and that was how Audrey and he met. When his service was completed, John went back to Washington state with Audrey and finished his degrees at the University of Washington. Their children were born there during that time. My husband and I liked John very much. When he was confined to home in his later stages of MS, we would visit them in Memphis occasionally. My husband would go out and get he and John "moon pies" and RC cola. John loved it! My husband and John were exactly 6 months to the day apart the same age John born in Jan, and my husband in June. John played golf, which unfortunately he had to stop as his MS progressed. Audrey took care of John at home throughout his illness. Audrey was six years older than I am, and we had very different personalities, and we did not look alike....but we were sisters. Now she and John are together again....both free of the terrible disease's they were affected with during their lives on earth. May they rest in peace. Philomena Weatherby

September 14 at 2:27 PM

PH

Phil posted:

Phil purchased the Bountiful Rose Basket for the family of Audrey Thompson.

September 14 at 8:16 AM



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