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Laura Louise Young Cantrell, of Memphis, retired secretary to the Regional Director of the United States Postal Service, died Tuesday, December 28, 2010 at Foxbridge Assisted Living in Bartlett, TN. She was 96 years old. She was born in Newport, Kentucky, moved to Memphis at age 15 and graduated from Tech High School. She married Ned Carlisle Cantrell in 1938. Together they built their home on land owned by her husband's family. She lived in that house on Carnes Avenue and enjoyed gardening on the property for 70 years before moving to Foxbridge Assisted Living in 2009. She was a member of First United (now Peace) Lutheran Church since 1929 where she was the church organist and Secretary of the Church Council for many years. She was a member of Professional Secretaries, Inc and received her Certified Professional Secretary designation in 1969. She was the 1975 Business Woman of the Year and the Secretary to the Board of Directors of the Memphis Heart Association for over 15 years. She was preceded in death by her husband, Ned Cantrell and son John Calvin Cantrell. She is survived by her daughter, Nancy Cantrell Cochran (Dick) and son Charles Carlisle Cantrell of Hodgenville, Kentucky; grandchildren Elizabeth Louise Cochran of Old Tappan, New Jersey, Charles Robert Cochran (Jennifer), and Edward Carlisle Cochran (Kandis) of San Clemente, California. She was also blessed with two step-grandchildren Levi and Luke Stephenson, as well as 9 great- grandchildren and 3 nieces and nephews. She will be remembered for her love of her family, love of animals and her gardens including her World War II Victory garden. Family will receive friends from 5-7 p.m., Thursday, December 30 at Memorial Park Funeral Home with the service on Friday at 11:30 a.m. also at Memorial Park Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, memorials in Laura's memory may be made to the charity of the donor's choice. Memorial Park Funeral Home, "Behind the stone wall", 901-767-8930. Condolences may be offered at www.MemorialParkOnline.com



Tribute Wall

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JJ

Janet P Jones posted:

I, too, had the wonderful opportunity to work with Laura at the Southern Regional Office. She was the epitome of a Professional Secretary and was always a pleasure to work with. She "trained" a lot of secretaries AND Regional Finance Directors and we all

December 31 at 7:46 PM

KK

Kandis Kimberly posted:

May we all be blessed with loving family & friends and live a long and full life as Granny did. Gone from this world but forever in our hearts!!

December 31 at 11:38 AM

CR

Carol Rushing posted:

I knew Laura from the time she came to work for the Postal Service, probably over 30 years ago. She was the epitome of what an elegant and fine lady is. I worked in the Finance Department where she was secretary to many regional directors there, one of wh

December 30 at 5:03 PM

NH

Nancy Bowers Humes posted:

A lovely lady who was important part of our family's life...both personally and spiritually. I grew up at First United and my Dad was on the church council with Laura. She also become a close family friend whom I truly admired and respected. Rest in pea

December 30 at 11:05 AM

LS

Luke Stevenson posted:

Granny will be missed.

December 30 at 8:12 AM

EC

Ed Cochran posted:

Fare thee well Granny. We love you and will cherish the fond memories we have of you until the end of time. May the light and happiness you brought to our world never be extinguished.

December 29 at 7:20 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Laura by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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