



Eleanor (Ellie) Mathews Wood

April 25, 1923 - February 10, 2007

Eleanor (Ellie) Mathews Wood, daughter of William Murphy Mathews and Thelma McMichael, was born April 25, 1923 in Atlanta, Georgia and passed away February 7, 2007, from the debilitating effects of a four-year battle with neuropathy. Ellie attended Oglethorpe University in Atlanta, Georgia, where she was a member of Chi Omega Sorority. A resident of Huntsville since 1963, she was very active as a Girl Scout leader, advisor to the Methodist Youth Fellowship at First United Methodist Church, alumni advisor to the Sam Houston State University Chapter of Chi Omega, Friends of the Huntsville Public Library and Walker County Genealogical Society, serving in various capacities including compilation of the Walker County history book and as president. She retired as serials librarian from Sam Houston State University in 1981. She and her husband have been active contributors to the Wood-Mathews Endowment Fund providing scholarship funds for deserving students at Sam Houston State University. She was preceded in death by her parents and lone sibling, Patricia Mathews. She is survived by her husband of 61 years, J. I. Wood; three daughters – Pat Taliaferro (Lloyd) of Huntsville, Charlotte McConnell (James) of Pflugerville, Nancy Wood-Dines (Jim) of Albuquerque, New Mexico, four granddaughters and five great-grandsons. The family desires to acknowledge and express their deep appreciation to Ellie's dedicated caregivers: Annie Kizsee, Connie Love, Elimae Branch, Lexie Tolbert, Delois Merchant and Doris Jenkins. Services for Ellie will be held Saturday February 10, 2007 at 2 PM at the Sam Houston Memorial Funeral

Home with Dr. Bruce Hay officiating. Interment will follow in Oakwood Cemetery. The family will receive friends Friday February 9, 2007 from 5 to 7 PM at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home. In lieu of usual remembrances, the family suggests your consideration of a contribution in Ellie's memory to the Wood-Mathews Endowment (Acct. # 321-40-0039) at Sam Houston State University, Office of University Advancement, Box 2537, Huntsville, Texas 77341, Attn: Thelma Mooney or the charity of your choice. Those wishing to leave memorial condolences for the family may do so at www.shmfh.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Eleanor (Ellie) Mathews Wood*

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *May each passing day bring you peace and serenity, for God is our maker and He knows just how things should be. Keeping faith as your comforter and prayer as your guide, your strength will follow because it comes from inside. Inspiration will come too, from family and good friends, the memories live in the heart, never to end. For nothing is lost by death but eternal life is gained, there's a new life full of joy, peace, happiness and no more earthly pains. With deepest sympathy, please know that you are in my prayers and it was a pleasure to work with the family.*

Delois Merchant - February 10, 2007 at 07:06 PM



“ *We are so sorry to hear of your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this sad time. Take care and let us know if there is anything we can do for you. Dorothea Tarver and family*

Dorothea Tarver - February 09, 2007 at 09:29 PM



“ *I worked for Mrs. Wood at the library in the early 70's. It was my first full time job and she was my first real boss. She was such a wonderful and warm person. I loved her and working for her. My deepest sympathy goes to all your family.*

Lou Ellen Elliott

Lou Ellen Elliott - February 09, 2007 at 10:00 AM

MF

“ Charlotte and Jim, so very sorry to hear about your loss. My sympathy and prayers go to you and your family. Take care, Marcus.

Marcus Fry - February 09, 2007 at 09:04 AM

BD

“ Charlotte and Jim,
Please accept our deepest sympathy at the loss of your mother. We are sorry we cannot attend the funeral. Our prayers are with you.
Blessings,
Bill & Lynne

Bill & Lynne Driskill - February 08, 2007 at 03:30 PM

MS

“ Charlotte and Jim,
Please accept my deepest sympathy. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

Megan Schad - February 08, 2007 at 03:02 PM

AS

“ Dear Charlotte and Jim,
Please accept my deepest sympathy at the loss of your mother, and please extend it to your entire family. You all are in my prayers. Let me know if I can help you in some way.

Love,
Ann

Ann Schwartz - February 08, 2007 at 02:47 PM

NJ

“ *Mr. J. I., what a loss! I know you will miss her. How I love you both and how wonderful you have been to me. My love and sympathy are with you. Norma Dell Jones of Lovelady.*

Norma Dell & Jerry D. Jones - February 08, 2007 at 08:44 AM