



Mrs Catherine "Kay" Mueller

May 14, 1916 - October 15, 2015

Catherine Mueller passed away peacefully Thursday, October 15, 2015 at Novant Health Rowan Medical Center in Salisbury, NC surrounded by family members. She was 99 years of age and had lived a full and rewarding life prior to a recent brief illness.

Catherine was born in Taneytown, Maryland to Harry and Isabelle Reindollar. Growing up, she worked in the family hardware store then attended Western Maryland College, where she graduated with a degree in science and math. She worked as a medical technologist in Fort Wayne, Indiana where she met her future husband Donald, who was completing his medical residency. After marriage in 1940, Dr. & Mrs. Mueller moved to Hattiesburg, MS, then to Canandaigua, NY where Dr. Mueller worked for many years as chief psychiatrist at the VA Hospital.

In Canandaigua, Catherine raised a family, enjoyed leading a number of girl scout troops, volunteered at St. Mary's church, and worked as a medical technologist at the F.F. Thompson and VA hospitals. Upon Donald's death in 1996, Catherine moved to Trinity Oaks Retirement Community in Salisbury, NC where she began a new life of friendships and volunteerism.

Along with her parents and husband, she was predeceased by brother Henry Reindollar, sister Margaret Niedemeyer Taylor, and niece Miriam Lane.

She leaves daughter Barbara Mueller (Asheville, NC) and daughter and son-in-law Marge and Keith Murphy (Winston-Salem, NC) to cherish her memory, along with the following special nieces, nephews, and their children: Joan

(Ron) Linkswiler, Robert (Sherl) Reindollar, Richard (Ann) Reindollar, and Paul (Rosemary) Reindollar. Also, special great-nephew Andy (Amy) Palmer and great-niece Whitney Palmer, who visited often during their years at Catawba College in Salisbury.

Catherine touched many lives with her warmth, optimism, and memorable sense of humor. Her family would like to thank the staff, good friends, and general community at Trinity Oaks for the kindness, fun, and fellowship that made Mom feel so at home there. Most recently, the caring staff in the Assisted Living area has acted as a wonderful second family to her, providing attentiveness, dedication, and affection.

A memorial celebration is planned to be held at Trinity Oaks in the near future. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Catherine's memory to Trinity Oaks Residents Memorial Fund, Trinity Oaks Retirement Community, 728 Klumac Rd. Salisbury NC 28144.

Summersett Funeral Home in Salisbury is serving the Mueller family.