



Mrs. Elizabeth Mills Cooper

October 14, 1924 - March 20, 2015

Elizabeth Mills Cooper (Lib) died March 20, 2015 at Novant Health Rowan Medical Center, Salisbury, after residing at Trinity Oaks Retirement Community in Salisbury. Lib was born in Raleigh, NC on October 14, 1924 to the late Eugene and Mary Lee Mills. She was predeceased by her brother, Eugene Mills, Jr., and her sister, Dorothy Lee Gunter.

Lib was a graduate of Hugh Morson High School, Raleigh, NC and of Peach College, also in Raleigh. While in college during World War Two, she was chosen as Queen of the Southern Conference (now known as the Atlantic Coast Conference). Her early professional career was as the Executive Assistant to Jim Reid, president of a Raleigh-based bank. When Mr. Reid became mayor of Raleigh, she became his Administrative Assistant. Upon her remarriage, she moved to Salisbury in 1962, where she became involved in many community activities, including the Rowan Medical Auxiliary and Heart Ball Committee. She also served as a long time volunteer for the Meals on Wheels program. Lib also enjoyed her many years as a member of the Preface Book Club. She retired in 1990 as the Administrative Assistant to Sonny Allen, CEO of Citizens Savings and Loan.

She was a life-long member of the Presbyterian Church. At First Presbyterian Church in Raleigh, she was a member of the search committee, which brought Dr. Albert Edwards as Senior Minister. She enjoyed a five decade

membership at First Presbyterian Church in Salisbury, where she was very active in all facets of church life.

Ms. Cooper is survived by her daughter, Anna Mills Wagoner, and husband, Bill of Salisbury; her son, Hubert Gregory Scarborough, Jr., also of Salisbury; and son, Dr. Joseph Benton Cooper, II and wife Larissa, of Fairfax, Virginia. In addition, she is survived by granddaughter, Anna Gregory Wagoner Taylor and husband Phil, of Winston-Salem; grandson Walter Price Wagoner II and wife Jill, of Salisbury; granddaughter Allison Scarborough Wieland and husband Danny, of Charlotte; grandson Julian Gregory Scarborough and wife Kate, of Wilmington; and, two great-grandchildren, William Cooper Wagoner and Kensington Grace Wagoner, of Salisbury.

A service of celebration will be held at 1:00 PM, Monday, March 23, 2015, at First Presbyterian Church of Salisbury, officiated by Dr. Jim Dunkin and Dr. Randall Kirby. The family will receive friends following the service in Lewis Hall. For those who wish to do so, memorials may be made to Lutheran Services for the Aging at Trinity Oaks, Salisbury, and to First Presbyterian Church, Salisbury.

Her family wishes to express its very deep gratitude for the caring and compassionate staff at Trinity Oaks Assisted Living, as well as to Dr. Myron Goodman for his tireless dedication to her well-being.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

MAR **23**. 1:00 PM (ET)

First Presbyterian Church
308 W. Fisher St.
Salisbury, NC 28144