



## Ethelene Winfree Gwaltney

November 26, 1927 - April 5, 2015

Much beloved wife, mother, grandmother (“Gran”) and great-grandmother was welcomed by her Heavenly Father into eternal joy on Easter Sunday April 5, 2015. Preceded by her mother and father (Lona and Claude Winfree) and sister (Claudene). Survived by her boyfriend, constant companion and forever devoted husband Jack, son Jeff (Karen), daughter Jan (Rick) Helfer, granddaughters Erica Blank (Simon), Sarah, great granddaughter Eleanor Grace and brother Donnie (Lynn) Winfree. Ethelene was born Nov. 26, 1927 and raised a farm girl in Brush Creek TN where she worked the general store with her dad. After marrying Jack, she became a secretary at National Life and Accident Insurance Co. where Jack began his career in underwriting. Upon moving to the “big city” of Nashville, she and Jack raised their family in Donelson, attending First Baptist Donelson. She became a docent at The Hermitage and then for years a valued Special Events Associate at Opryland Hotel, where son Jeff and daughter in law Karen worked. Ethelene was loved by so many and known as a woman of exceeding grace, kindness and spirit. One of her most enduring qualities noted by her husband, all her many friends and associates is that no one ever heard her speak one unkind word about anyone. She touched so many lives with her devotion as a wife, mother and grandmother. She and Jack truly exemplified the 1 Cor. 13 definition of what love is supposed to mean. Jack gave the past twelve years to her constant, daily care, and will rejoice to hold her hand again for eternity. A woman of simple grace, devotion and enduring love...Family, Faith and Friends...What a

legacy she has left those of us she loved and touched...What an example of love we have been given to follow. Heaven is a kinder and gentler place today with a new Easter angel. We all look forward to seeing you again Mom G and Gran, and being together forever... Mrs. Gwaltney's remains rest at the Hibbett-Hailey Funeral Home in Donelson, TN. where the family will receive friends on Tuesday, April 7, 2015 from 6PM until 8PM. Funeral Services are scheduled to be conducted at the First Baptist Church, Donelson, on Wednesday, April 8, 2015 at 2PM with Rev. Wendell McClendon and Bro. Jack Barron officiating. The family will receive friends at the church after 1PM Wednesday. Interment is scheduled for 4:30PM Wednesday at the Brush Creek Memorial Gardens.

Bass Funeral Home, Gordonsville Chapel, Directors

# Tribute Wall



“ *Ethelene Winfree Gwaltney*

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