



Ruth Naomi Johnston Curl

January 9, 1918 - December 18, 2009

Ruth Naomi Johnston Curl, age 91, of Oak Ridge, TN passed away Friday December 18, 2009 at NHC Place in Farragut, TN, an assisted living facility in Farragut, TN

She was born January 9, 1918 in Harriman, TN, the daughter of Henry Wilson Johnston and Martha Anne Hart Johnston. She was preceded in death by her husband Clarence Howard Curl, whom she married June 22, 1940.

Mrs. Curl was an active member in the Trinity United Methodist Church in Oak Ridge, TN for many years. She was a Certified Public Secretary employed by Union Carbide Corporation at ORNL Nuclear Division in Oak Ridge working for Dr. Philip Baker. She retired in 1982 after 26 years of loyal service. She and her husband were among the first residents in Oak Ridge, TN. Mrs. Curl was an accomplished quilter, liked to crochet, and work crossword puzzles. She also enjoyed traveling to Europe.

Although Mrs. Curl recently developed a heart problem, she was active and mentally alert and had quite a sense of humor. She was loved by many friends and family.

Mrs. Curl is preceded in death by her brothers Calvin Johnston and Warren Johnston and her sisters Beulah Queery, Birchie Johnston and Wilma

Browder.

She had no children, but is survived by several nieces and nephews: Anne Browder Sarris of Atlanta; GA, Ashley Anne Wilde and Rhiannon Gaddis of Lenoir City, TN; Byron Browder Wilde of Madison, GA; Jody Johnston of Alcoa, TN; Carol J. Smith of Flowery Branch, GA; Kristi Stone, Traci Martin, and Vance Kirkpatrick of Maryville, TN; Charles G. Johnston Jr. of Alcoa, TN; James Johnston of Maryville, TN; and Denise J. Cloud of Harriman, TN; and sister-in-law Betty W. Johnston of Harriman, TN

Friends will be received from 11am to 12noon on Tuesday December 22, 2009 at Kyker Funeral Home in Kingston with a funeral service following at 12noon.

Burial will follow the service at Oak Ridge Memorial Park, Hwy 62, Bethel Valley Rd., Oak Ridge, TN at 2pm.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the Henry and Martha Johnston Scholarship of the Roane State Community College Foundation 276 Patton Lane, Harriman, TN 37748.