



Sarah Louise Hackett

April 9, 2013

Sarah Louise Hackett (Louise), 96, of Kingston passed away April 9, 2013 . She was a founding member of Morrison Hill Christian Church in Kingston, TN. Her life was dedicated to serving the Lord. She served as a member of the choir, Sunday school teacher, youth director and Treasurer of the Morrison Hill Christian Church for over thirty years. She was the former co-owner of Kingston Printing Company, the Roane County News, and many other area weekly papers until she and her partners sold the businesses in 1976. She was a successful business owner and executive negotiating deals during a time when for women that was not the norm. At the age of eighty, she purchased a computer, took computer courses, and composed three books; two about her life and one about Morrison Hill Christian Church. She was an accomplished seamstress and taught all of her daughters and many of her granddaughters how to sew. Special Saturdays' were fabric store excursions with her daughters to buy fabric and patterns for outfits for the next season. Very rarely did she turn her daughters down on anything they wanted, and she proceeded to sew the ensemble. She continued to make special outfits for all her "girls" until she began to lose her sight to macular degeneration in the late 90s. Louise Hackett was born on April 27, 1916 in Goodwell, Oklahoma to William Earl McCorkle and Sarah Blanche McCorkle. She was the second oldest of eight children, three sisters survive; Kay Dwight of California, and Eva Dodd and Hope Brame of Kansas City, MO. Louise's father was a traveling evangelist conducting revivals throughout the Midwest US. Each

family member played instruments for the revival service. Louise's was the violin. Even though they traveled around while she was young, Louise graduated from high school a year early at the top of her class and then attended Chillicothe Business School in Missouri. Louise was very proud of the fact that all of her children and grandchildren are college graduates, six of them from the University of Tennessee. Louise was preceded in death in 2008 by her husband of sixty-nine years, John Benson (Ben) Hackett. They were married on April 8, 1938 in Moberly, MO. Monday, April 8, 2013 would have been their seventy-fifth wedding anniversary.

She is survived by four children and their spouses: Bill and Sandy Hackett of Memphis, TN, Benita and Mark Albert of Oak Ridge, TN, Beverly and Rusty Farrell of Knoxville, TN, and Bonnie and Larry Fagan of Cookeville, TN. She has seven grandchildren: Stephen Farrell (Barbara), of Springfield, MO, Eryn Fisher (Jason) of Memphis, TN, Sarah Williams (Scott) of Memphis, TN, Sandra Asermelly (Nick) of Boston, MA, Amanda Bradley (Tre') of Asheville, NC, Allison Albert of Baltimore, MD, and Kristan Fagan of Greenville, NC and five great grandchildren, Will, Ginny, and Mary Lynn Fisher, Alex Bradley, and Lydia Grace Asermelly. The family would like to thank the staff of Jamestowne Assisted Living for their kind and attentive care to their mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother. Memorial gifts may be sent to Johnson University 7900 Johnson Drive Knoxville, TN 37998.

Funeral 7 pm Friday April 12, 2013 in the Kyker Chapel. Burial 10:30 am Saturday at Kingston Memorial Gardens. The family will receive friends from 5:30 pm until 7 pm Friday at the Kyker Funeral Home in Kingston.

Tribute Wall

CF

“ Dear Beverly,

Even though we haven't seen each other since high school, I would like to reach out to you and send condolences at the loss of your mother. I was fascinated at her life story. My mother lived to be 95 so we were both fortunate that we had them in our lives for so long. Still, losing a mother is very painful. I wish I had known her.

Cathy Michener Wacksman

Cathy Wacksman - Tallahassee, FL - friend - April 11, 2013 at 12:00 AM

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“ Sorry we could not be there in person to tell you we love you.

Charlie & Pat Brand - Germantown, TN - Friends of Bill and Sandy - April 11, 2013 at 12:00 AM

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“ What a wonderful example for all. So many memories that I have of Ben and Louise...always involved with the church. I fully remember the day that several families went from First Christian in Harriman to start a new congregation at Morrison Hill. They were leading the way!

They were both always interested in us and the kids we had or brought with us. So encouraging to everyone.

I'm fortunate to have known the both of them, and a lot of the family, for many years.

You are all in our prayers.

Keith Davidson - Harriman, TN - Friend of the family - April 10, 2013 at 12:00 AM

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“ Louise and Ben Hackett will always be a part of my memories of Morrison Christian Church. I will always be grateful to the families who founded that church. They have had such an important influence on so many lives. My prayers are with your family.

Cindy McCormicl - Kingston, TN - April 09, 2013 at 12:00 AM