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Betty Jean "B.J." Henderson

Nov. 19, 1928 - March 9, 2017

Betty Jean "B.J." Henderson, 88, of Morganton, NC passed away Thursday, March 9, 2017. Born in Ambridge, PA on November 19, 1928, she was the daughter of the late William Arnett and Catharine Frey Arnett. B.J. was a member of First Presbyterian Church.

A smart, artistic lady with great zest for life, B.J. Henderson had a lifelong passion for education and learning, the arts, and her family and friends. Beneath her always-gracious manner lay a core of grit and strength, which served her well through life's challenges. Her family and friends remember many wonderful things about her, that she was: smart and sparkling, quick with a smile; devoted to supporting her children's interests and education; artistic, which she expressed though her artwork as well as the beautiful homes she created; strong, energetic, and resilient. She embraced life with spirit and zest, and left us with countless bright memories to treasure.

She is survived by daughters, Martha Henderson and husband, Steve Ladd, of Orinda, CA and Laura Henderson of South Bend, IN; sons, Marshall Henderson and wife, Cindy, of Mooresville, NC, Bruce Henderson and wife, Marcie, of Mooresville and Miami, FL, and Allen Henderson and wife, Cindy, of Lincolnton, NC; 10 grandchildren; a sister-in-law, Barbara Arnett of Grapevine, TX; and a brother and sister-in-law, Robert and Mary Henderson of Loveland, CO.

In addition to her parents, B.J. was preceded in death by her husband, Paul Audine Henderson; 2 brothers, William and Robert Arnett; and a sister, Virginia Arnett.
The memorial service will be held at 2pm, Sunday, March 12, 2017 in the Ervin Room at Grace Ridge with the Rev. Lynn Webber and the Rev. Laura Roach officiating. The family will greet friends following the service.

Memorial contributions may be made to Grace Ridge Educational Fund, 500 Lenoir Road, Morganton, NC 28655.
Sossoman Funeral Home and Crematory Center is assisting the family.

Tribute Wall

No tributes added yet.