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Lillian "Lil" Thompson Hoyle

March 26, 1922 - Sept. 9, 2020

Lillian "Lil" Thompson Hoyle, 98, passed away peacefully September 9, 2020 at Parkview Retirement Village in Sanford, NC, with family by her side. Born on March 26, 1922, Lil was a native of Morganton, NC, the daughter of the late Nellis Albert Thompson, Sr. and Lona Jaynes Thompson, wife of the late Carroll "Cac" Watkins Hoyle, Sr., and mother of the late Carroll "Cac" Watkins Hoyle, Jr. She is also preceded in death by her sister Catherine "Cat" Rhodes and her brother, Nellis "Ned" Thompson, Jr.

Whether on the golf course or in a game of bridge, spending quality time with friends came first with Lil. She was a long-time member of Mimosa Golf Club in Morganton and was known to be one of the best lady golfers around. The time to herself was spent pursuing her passion for art, painting scenery and still life. Being a life-long member of First United Methodist Church of Morganton, Lil's faith was the guiding force in her life. Her favorite quote by author Vivian Greene sums up Lil's philosophy on living life to the fullest. "Life isn't about waiting for the storm to pass. It's about learning how to dance in the rain."

Lil is survived by her nephews, Alex, Gil and Lee Thompson, as well as her niece, Terri Gale Wall.

The graveside service will be held at 2 p.m., Saturday, September 26, 2020 at Forest Hill Cemetery with Rev. Dana McKim officiating. The service will be live streamed on the FUMC Facebook page.

Gifts in memory of Lil's life may be made to the Youth Group of First United Methodist Church, 200 North King Street, Morganton, NC 28655.

Sossoman Funeral Home and Crematory Center is assisting the family with the arrangements.

Tribute Wall

No tributes added yet.