

Mary Birt Locklier

Mary Locklier of Midlothian, Virginia departed from her earthly home on January 5, 2014. Among those waiting to welcome her in Heaven were her husband, Carl Locklier, her parents John Birt and Nora Birt Jones and friends from Columbia/Charleston SC and Roanoke/Richmond VA.

Born in 1921 in Columbia, SC, Mary worked for the State Board of Health and married Carl Locklier. They enjoyed 42 years of marriage until his death in 1984. Mary and Carl built a devout Christian home for their family, and her strong faith in God supported her in joy and in sorrow. She was a gracious Southern lady who gave tirelessly of herself as she lifted the spirits of those who knew her. The lives of those she touched are rich with fond memories. She is survived by their children, Elizabeth Locklier Klement (Dennis) of Midlothian, and John C. Locklier Jr. (Linda) of Rock Hill, SC. She was a caring wife and mother, an adored mother-in-law, and a cherished "Big Mama" to her four grandchildren, Lauren K. Moore (Jason), Mary Alyse Klement, and Eleanor Klement, all of Midlothian, and John C. Locklier III (Olivia) of Indianapolis, IN. Her family also includes beloved cousins Dorothy Oliver and Violet Whetstone of South Carolina and devoted caregiver, Doris Deberry. We are grateful for the love and legacy that she poured into our hearts and know that God has prepared her new home.

Friends and family are invited to attend the memorial service/visitation at Bon Air Baptist Church at 1:00 PM on Saturday, January 18th. The graveside service will be held at Dale Memorial Park following the visitation. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorials be made to the library at Bon Air Baptist Church, 2531 Buford Road, Richmond VA 23235.