



Lucille M. Hancock

May 24, 1920 - October 9, 2014

Obituary of Lucille Hancock

Lucille McLeod Hancock, 94, went home to be with her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, on Thursday, October 9, 2014 at her beloved home, OakShore, on the south shore of Lake Griffin in Leesburg, FL.

She was born May 24, 1920 in Aucilla, FL (Jefferson County) the 5th child and 2nd daughter of Dr. Norman Wightman McLeod and his wife Amanda Jane Bishop McLeod. She was very proud to be a multi-generational native Floridian and the daughter of a true "horse & buggy" physician who served the citizens of north Florida for over 50 years. Her grandfather, William Henry Harrison McLeod, served in the Florida Senate in the mid 1800's from Hamilton County.

Mrs. Hancock graduated from Aucilla High School where she played power forward (at 5'3"!) on the girls' basketball team. She was a graduate of Florida State College for Women where she was a member of the Delta Zeta Sorority. However...she was an avid Gator sports Fan! She worked for the Jefferson County Court and, later, a geological company in Tallahassee prior to her marriage.

She was married to her childhood love, W.R. "Buster" Hancock (who died in 2000) for 54 years and was a Lake County farm wife since 1948 helping him to build a thriving citrus growing business. Together they were parents of daughter, Glenna Hancock, and sons, W.R. "Chops" Hancock (Diana), Douglas Hancock and Jeffrey Hancock (Kathy). She was known as "MaMaLu" to her 9 grandchildren and 1 great grandson and everyone else for that matter! She is also survived by her sister, Jane Summitt, of Daytona Beach and numerous nieces and nephews. Grateful appreciation is also extended to her loving Caregivers, Lisa Malliard & Jackie Hinman, who made every day very special for her, as well as, Neal Vriesema her, Jack-of-all-Trades, who kept her OakShore in pristine condition. Last, but not least, she leaves her constant companions and 4-legged grandchildren (Yorkshire Terrier) Lucy Lee Hancock & (Teacup Fox Terrier) Annie Sue Tucker.

She was a God-gifted pianist who expressed herself best when playing the piano for every family & friend occasion and especially in her home! As a teenager in Aucilla, she served as "the orchestra" for Saturday night dances until the "Lucky Strike Hit Parade" came on the radio and then she got to dance! She loved playing the piano for her own and others pleasure throughout her life.

There will be a celebration of her life on Thursday, October 16th at 2pm at Morrison United Methodist Church, 1005 W. Main St., Leesburg followed by a graveside service at Lone Oak Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Morrison United Methodist Church, Cornerstone Hospice or the Choral Program at Leesburg High School.

Tribute Wall

DP

“ *My thoughts are with all of you. She was a fascinating lady, a presence which reminded my of my grandmother. One knew in a very positive way she was in the room. That spirit is very evident in all four of her children.*

David Payne - October 18, 2014 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ *Glenna and Family, What a wonderful Blessing your mother was. We at Leesburg High School will never forget her smile and Generosity and the first time we met her wrapped up like an Eskimo watching "Little Women". She was a very blessed woman to have such amazing kids to love and help her all these years. No matter how long they are here it is hard having a parent leave us. May God wrap His Loving arms around you all and give you comfort and peace! Michelle L. Byrd*

Michelle Byrd - October 18, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DV

“ *Chops, Diana and the family of Lucille M Hancock, We are thinking of you at this difficult time. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Jolene and Dave*

Dave and Jolene Vaselaar - October 14, 2014 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ *Mrs. Hancock was a fine Southern lady, smart as a whip, and loved to laugh at her problems. It saddens me to lose another of her generation.*

McLeod Bleakley - October 12, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *Florida State College for Women, Senior Portrait, 1943*

Jeff Hancock - October 11, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *Lucille M. Hancock*

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