



Grace Jeanette Prete

April 6, 1926 - September 7, 2011

Grace Jeanette Eldridge Prete, 85, passed away Wednesday, September 7, 2011 in Tallahassee.

Born April 6, 1926 in Middletown, Connecticut, she lived for many years in Hialeah, Florida, before moving to Tallahassee in 1959. She was retired from the North Florida Fair Association, where she served as an Executive Secretary. She enjoyed traveling, watching sports, and spending time at her cottage on Prince Edward Island. Grace was a strong supporter of many charitable organizations, including Big Bend Hospice, the United Way of the Big Bend and the Florida State University Foundation.

Survivors include her son, William Taylor (Janet) of Dayville, CT; four grandsons, Scott Taylor (Erin) of Manchester, CT, Neal Taylor of Coventry, CT, and Michael and Stephen Kostek, both of Newington, CT; two great-grandchildren, Noah and Alex Taylor of Manchester, CT; her step-daughter, Paula Johnson of Middletown, CT; and her sister, Shirley Gallup of Castleton, NY. Also surviving are two nieces, Jo-Ann Kaminsky (David) of Castleton, NY and Anita Prete of Cooper City, FL; her nephew, Charles Prete (Elaine) of Pembroke Pines, FL; her grandnephew, Richard Prete (Cary) of Coral Gables, FL; and her grandniece, Teare Vandenburg (Jason) of Troy, NY.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Anthony Prete; two sons, Michael and Martin Kostek; and her parents, Emil and Jeanette Dumas.

The funeral service will be held at 6:00 PM, EDT, Monday, September 12, 2011 at Bevis Funeral Home in Tallahassee (850/385-2193 or www.bevisfh.co

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Previous Events

Service

SEP **12.** 6:00 PM (ET)

Bevis Funeral Home & Crematory
200 John Knox Rd
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