



Majel Rees Barrett

May 28, 1925 - January 5, 2019

Majel Barrett, age 93, passed away peacefully January 5, 2019 at the Big Bend Hospice House with her family at her side. Majel was born May 28, 1925 in Greensboro, N.C. to William Henry Rees and Sarah Barber Rees. She graduated from Landon H. S. in Jacksonville, FL and went on to attend Wesleyan Conservatory in Macon, GA on a Vocal Scholarship.

After the end of WWII and his return from the Pacific Theater and China occupation, Majel married her high school sweet heart, Pearce L. "Bouchie" Barrett Jr. Once Bouchie received his degree in Architecture from the Uni. of FL they moved to Tallahassee in 1950 where he began his architectural career and they began raising their family.

Majel had a rich and rewarding life in Tallahassee raising her family, helping Bouchie build a successful architectural business, enjoying her own career working in the State Legislature, State Comptroller's office and later in Florida State University's Education Department. One of her favorite things was sharing her singing talent with the community through her involvement in Trinity Methodist Church's choir, The Tallahassee Community Chorus and performing for many weddings and in community musical shows. If she wasn't busy enough with these activities she was volunteering or serving on one of many boards in the community such as the Junior League and the Music Guild.

While living in Tallahassee Majel had the good fortune of developing many lifelong friends with whom she enjoyed entertaining and traveling around the

country and overseas. There was nothing that she enjoyed more though than spending time with her grandchildren at her beach house on St George Island in the summer time.

She was predeceased by her parents William and Sarah Rees, husband Pearce L. "Bouchie" Barrett Jr., and her sister Hazel Johansen. She is survived by her two children, son Pearce L. "Kim" Barrett III (Margaret) Tallahassee, daughter Sarees Barrett Ziemann (Jack) Mobile, AL, grandchildren Alex Barrett (Lisa) Portland, OR, Lisa McGuire (Garrett) Los Angeles, CA, Miles Barrett Tallahassee, Sara Copeland (Ryder) Mobil, AL, Christina Whiting (Joseph) Mobile, AL and step grandchildren Rachel Keltner, Leah McCue (Nik), and Andrew Keltner and seven great grandchildren.

The memorial service will be held at 11:00 AM, Friday, January 11th at Trinity United Methodist Church. The family will receive guest at Trinity following the service. In lieu of flowers friends are asked to make donations to Trinity United Methodist Church, 120 West Park Avenue, Tallahassee, FL 32301; or to Big Bend Hospice, 1723 Mahan Center Blvd., Tallahassee, FL 32308.

Rocky Bevis of Bevis Funeral Home of Tallahassee (www.bevisfh.com or 850/385-2193) is assisting the Barrett family with their arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Roselawn Cemetery

815 West Piedmont Drive
Tallahassee, FL 32308

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JAN 11. 11:00 AM (ET)

Trinity United Methodist Church
120 West Park Avenue
Tallahassee, FL 32303

Reception for family and friends following the service

JAN 11. 12:00 PM (ET)

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