



Mary Stansbury Butera

June 26, 1918 - May 18, 2014

Mary Stansbury Butera, 95, passed away on May 18, 2014. Mary was born in Poughkeepsie, New York on June 26, 1918, and moved to Sopchoppy in 1923 with her family. After graduating from Sopchoppy High School in 1936 as Valedictorian, she worked for S. Walter Revell, Superintendent of Schools. During WWII, Mary organized the USO in Sopchoppy and became the youngest USP president in the United States. In 1946, she married the love of her life, the late Charles (Charlie) Butera and moved to Richmond Hill, Queens and later to Levittown, New York, where she eventually went to work for Gilson Uniform Company as a bookkeeper. In 1984, Mary and her husband retired and returned to Sopchoppy, where resided until her death. Mary was a beloved member of the community and was frequently involved in community activities. She was a member of the Sopchoppy Homemakers and the Wakulla County Library Board, delivered Meals on Wheels for the Wakulla Senior Center, and was a devoted member of Christ Church Anglican in Crawfordville.

Mary is survived by her daughter; Brenda Carter (Jack) of Cuddebackville, New York; her grandson, John Carter (Annica) of Hjo, Sweden; two granddaughters, Kristen Wolf (Mark) of Middletown, New York, and Jennifer DiLeo (Christopher) of Port Jervis, New York; three great-grandchildren, Christofer, Jonathan, and Emelie Carter; and many, many dear friends and family members. A memorial service will be held at Christ Church Anglican in Crawfordville at a later date

Bevis Funeral Home, Harvey-Young Chapel in Crawfordville is assisting the family with arrangements. (850-926-3333 or bevisfh.com)

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Big Bend Hospice, 1723 Mahan Center Blvd Tallahassee, FL 32308 or Christ Church Anglican, Crawfordville, 3383 Coastal Highway, Crawfordville, FL 32327.