



Pearl Lena Sturgeon Kempton

December 4, 1926 - February 24, 2014

Pearl Lena Kempton née Sturgeon, 87, of Satellite Beach, Florida passed from this life on February 24, 2014 in Tallahassee, Florida.

Pearl was born in Covington, Kentucky in 1926 and graduated from Holmes County High School in Covington in 1944. She met her husband Norman Kempton, a decorated WWII pilot, at Wright-Patterson AFB in Dayton, Ohio. After living in Japan for 3 years, they moved to Satellite Beach in 1958 where they raised their son, Gary Lee Kempton. Pearl was an active realtor in the area for many years. Pearl and Norman were active members of the Patrick AFB/Satellite Beach Community and Pearl was also an avid bridge player. Pearl contributed greatly to the success of GK Restorations, a Porsche restoration company, built by her son, Gary Kempton in Crawfordville, Florida. She supported the growth of the company through her investments and administrative work with the company for many years.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Norman, and her son, Gary Kempton. She is survived by her grandson, Wesley; and a sister, Geneva Love, of Kentucky.

A memorial service was held by former and current employees at GK Restorations on Thursday, February 27, 2014 in Crawfordville, Florida.

A VA memorial service in Florida at a later date is being planned for Pearl and Norman together. Bevis Funeral Home, Harvey-Young Chapel in Crawfordville, FL is assisting the family (850-926-3333 or www.bevisfh.com).