



## Elsie Cope Herndon

August 31, 1914 - October 14, 2012

Elsie Mae Cope Herndon, age 98, of Porters Chapel, TN, passed away Sunday, October 14, 2012 at NHC Healthcare in Springfield. Funeral services will be held Thursday, October 18, 2012 at 3pm in the chapel of the Austin & Bell Funeral Home in Springfield with Pastor Linda Thompson and Pastor Joan Hubbard officiating. Burial will follow in the Elmwood Cemetery with her grandsons and great-grandsons serving as pallbearers. Honorary pallbearers are her granddaughters and great-granddaughters. Visitation will be held at the funeral home on Wednesday, October 17, 2012 from 4-8pm and again Thursday afternoon from 1pm until the time of service.

Ms. Elsie, also known to many as “Memom”, lived in Porters Chapel her entire life. She was born August 31, 1914, the second child of the late Ben and Bessie Ellen Ayers Cope. She was a Red Cross Volunteer, a life-long member of the Porters Chapel United Methodist Church and a member of the Porters Chapel Home Demonstration Club. “Memom” was a wonderful wife, mother, grandmother, friend, homemaker, seamstress, cook and gardener. Ms. Elsie was married to James “Jim” Herndon for over 45 years until his death in 1976. In addition to her parents and her husband, she is preceded in death by her brother, James Nathan Cope.

Ms. Elsie is survived by her son, Tommy (Clarice) Herndon of Cedar Hill; daughter, Geraldine “Jerry” Herndon Young of Richardson, TX; grandchildren, Jamie (Carleen) Herndon, Tomilynn Herndon, Rick (Becky) Young and Julie (Randy) Young Squibb; great-grandchildren, Lindsey Havens, Taylor

(Courtney) Havens, Garrett Havens, Ashlyn Young, Haley Squibb, Natalie Squibb, Ben (Candy) Armistead, Olivia (Jeff) Haines, Abner Herndon, Brock Haley and Cassidy Haley; and great-great-grandchildren, Taylor Espinoza, Marshal Havens and Dylan Havens.

Ms. Elsie's family would like to thank the staff at Springfield Heights for the loving care they gave to Memom.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Porters Chapel United Methodist Church and may be sent in c/o Austin & Bell.

Austin & Bell Funeral Home in Springfield is in charge of these arrangements.  
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