



Margery Holman Barbee

March 29, 1923 - February 2, 2012

Margery Lou Holman Barbee, age 88, of Springfield, passed from this life on February 2, 2012. Funeral services will be held Saturday, February 4, 2012 at 2:30pm in the chapel of the Austin & Bell Funeral Home in Springfield with Reverend Shannon Benefiel officiating. Burial will follow in the Elmwood Cemetery with Matteo Faenza, Joe Hendricks, Clyde Dean, Bob Orndorff and Troy Birdwell serving as pallbearers. Visitation was held at the funeral home Friday, February 3, 2012 from 4-8pm and again Saturday morning until the hour of service.

Mrs. Barbee was born in Robertson County March 29, 1923, the daughter of the late Jesse Irvin Holman and Sallie Lou Barbee Holman of Springfield. She is survived by her sister, Ann Holman Maxwell McClain of Madison; son, Jeffrey Holman Barbee of Springfield; daughter and son-in-law, Amelia Faye and Randy Fletcher of McMinnville; and her only granddaughter, Allyn Patricia Faenza, who is a student at Georgetown University in Washington, D.C.

She was preceded in death by siblings, Elizabeth Holman Jones, Barbee Holman, Clint Holman, and Geraldine Adams. She is also preceded in death by her husband, Harold Anderson Barbee, eldest son, Gary Wayne Barbee and her eldest grandchild, Jenny Katherine Faenza.

Ms. Barbee graduated from Springfield High School and Nashville Business College. She also attended George Peabody College. She was a veteran of the WAVES, US Navy; She served during the final days of World War II. After discharge, she was employed by the Veteran's Administration as a secretary

and later, as an IBM operator. Ms. Barbee was a working mom and held several different positions including work for the University of Tennessee Extension Service and Grower's Tobacco Warehouse where she served as a bookkeeper. When her children were small she also worked as an Avon salesperson and World Book Encyclopedia representative. Later on she worked as a caregiver to families in Springfield.

She was a faithful, lifelong member of Oak Grove Baptist Church, Springfield, which was started by her grandfather, George Washington Barbee and others, in 1859. She was also a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, the Robertson County Senior Center and the Byrum-Porter Senior Center in Orlinda. She was a member of the Robertson County Farm Bureau Women and the Youngville Home Demonstration Club.

Recently, Ms. Barbee was a resident at Morningside Assisted Living in Springfield. Nurses and caregivers Debbie Moon, Denise Phipps, and Rhonda Seaford and others were especially dear as she faced her final days.

Austin & Bell Funeral Home in Springfield is in charge of these arrangements.
AUSTIN & BELL FUNERAL HOME- 509 WALNUT STREET, SPRINGFIELD,
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“ Dear Ami and Ally and family, Love to you and your family as you say your good-byes to your Mother, Grandmother. I remember all the times that I spoke with her at your home, at events in town, and at church. She was a strong woman. May you find peace and comfort in the coming days and weeks. Lots of love, Sharman

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