



Mary Elizabeth Pepper Stammer

July 18, 1921 - January 10, 2013

Mary Elizabeth Pepper Stammer, age 91, of Springfield, passed away Thursday, January 10, 2013 at NHC in Hendersonville. Funeral services were held Monday, January 14, 2013 in the chapel of the Austin & Bell Funeral Home in Springfield with Brother Jeff Fryer officiating. Burial followed in the Elmwood Cemetery with Trim Beasley, Billy Paul Carneal, Gary Doble, Kevin Gillingham, Richard Gillingham and Luis Herrera serving as pallbearers. Honorary pallbearers are the Staff, Caregivers and Volunteers at NHC Hendersonville. Visitation with the family was held at the funeral home on Sunday, January 13, 2013 from 2-6pm and again Monday from 1pm until the hour of service.

Mrs. Stammer was born July 18, 1921 in Springfield to the late David Wesley and Mary Florence Ruffin Pepper. She graduated from Springfield High School in 1939, graduated from Middle TN University in 1943 receiving a BS degree. Her biography was in 'Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities' 1943 Edition. She retired after more than twenty years of service as Secretary and Organist at Austin & Bell Funeral Home. Mrs. Stammer was a member of the Springfield First United Methodist Church, Honorary member of the Administrative Board, member of the Miracle Sunday School Class and former member of the Chancel Choir. She also organized Wednesday Morning Bible Study Group for many years. Mrs. Stammer was also a member of the Springfield Music Study Club and Twentieth Century Club. In addition to her parents Mrs. Stammer is preceded in death by her husband,

Billy Lynn Stammer and brothers, Harry L. Pepper, Joseph D. Pepper and Robert L. Pepper. She is survived by her daughter, Mary Lynn (Thomas) Gillingham of Madison; grandsons, Tom (Kathy) Gillingham, Jr. of Hendersonville and Bill (Sarah) Gillingham of Salt Lake City, UT; and great-grandchildren, Cate and Lauren Gillingham.

In lieu of flowers the family requests memorial contributions be made to the Springfield First United Methodist Church Chancel Choir.

Austin & Bell Funeral Home in Springfield is in charge of these arrangements.
AUSTIN & BELL FUNERAL HOME- 509 WALNUT STREET, SPRINGFIELD,
TN (615) 384-1000

Tribute Wall

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“*Mary Lynn, Due to the weather, I have not been able to get out to come, which I regret deeply.
I rejoice in your Mother's journey to her Heavenly home where she is free to praise the Lord and be with her loved ones. I know she has many people to see whom she loved dearly as friends.
It is with fond memories that I shall remember her as well as for her ministry in sending cards for all occassions with musical notes drawn by her signature. I shall always remember and see her in my mind singing "Walbash Cannon Ball" immitating Minne Pearle when we were practicing for our fifth grade program. She was always kind to me.
You are being remembered with lots of love.
Nandy*

Nancy Williams Lewis - January 14, 2013 at 01:52 PM

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“*Our deepest sympathies in your time of loss. Our thoughts and prayers go out to the entire family.
With love,
Jim & Patti Wiedman*

Jim and Patti Wiedman - January 12, 2013 at 10:18 PM

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“*Mary Lynn, my thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.*

Lori Mallard - January 12, 2013 at 10:32 AM