



Mrs. Ethel Rankin Gilliss

September 9, 1924 - September 18, 2012

On September 18, 2012, ETHEL MAY RANKIN "MICKEY" GILLISS, age 88, of Blakehurst in Towson, MD, passed away peacefully at her borne surrounded by family. She was the daughter of the late Samuel F. and Edith M. (Reilein) Rankin. She was the loving wife of Rollie D. Gilliss, Jr., her husband of more than 51 years, who predeceased her. She was the devoted mother of Lynne Gilliss Degen of Abingdon, MD, Edward J. Gilliss, Sr., of Towson, MD and David D. Gilliss, also of Towson. She was also a loving mother to her son-in-law Mark J. Degen, and her two daughters-in-law, Barbara Stultz Gilliss and Karen Wilson Gilliss. She was a loving grandmother to Michael J. Degen, Edward J. "Ned" Gilliss, Jr., Timothy S. Gilliss, Samuel R. Degen, Thomas F. Gilliss, Lauren E. Gilliss, and D. Ryan Gilliss. Mickey was also predeceased by her beloved siblings; her twin brothers, Kenneth S. Rankin and Edward H. Rankin; and her sister, Barbara Jane Schwartz. Mickey was born in Buffalo, NY in 1924, and was a graduate of St. Mary's Junior College (now St. Mary's College of Maryland), and Maryland State Teacher's College (now Salisbury University). She taught elementary school at Chase Elementary School and Stoneleigh Elementary School in Baltimore County, and later taught for many years at Northwood-Appold Nursery School in Baltimore City. Mickey touched the lives of many people, and will be lovingly missed and long remembered by her adoring family and her many friends. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Well for the Journey, 7600 York Rd, Towson, MD 21204, or to Towson Presbyterian Church, 400

Chesapeake Ave., Towson, MD 21204

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **28**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

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Visitation

SEP **28**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Memorial Service

SEP **29**. 4:00 PM (ET)

Towson Presbyterian Church
400 W. Chesapeake Avenue
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