



Letitia Williamson Lybrook

June 9, 1921 - February 2, 2018

Letitia Williamson Lybrook passed away on Friday, February 2 surrounded by loved ones. Known as Letty to her family and friends, she was born in Bluffton, Indiana in 1921 and graduated as the valedictorian of her high school in 1939. Letty attended Indiana University in Bloomington where she was a member of the Kappa Alpha Theta sorority and the Phi Beta Kappa Society. After graduating early with honors in 1942, she went to Washington, D.C. at the height of WWII to serve as a code breaker and language translator. She married Jack Lybrook, also an Indiana alumnus, in 1944, and the couple welcomed their daughter, Tish, in 1948. Letty earned a Master's Degree from Wayne State University and had a career as an educator, teaching French and Spanish in a Detroit suburban school district. Always avid Indiana University sports fans, Letty and her husband were thrilled when their first grandchild was born on the night IU won the NCAA Championship in 1976. They retired to Bloomington, and for many years Letty was an active member of the Kappa Alpha Theta Alumnae Chapter, the Tri Kappa service organization, and the First Presbyterian Church. She moved to Meadowood retirement community and spent the last seven years of her life thoroughly enjoying her time there, where she organized bridge games, volunteered in the library, and welcomed new residents with her energy and kindness. Letty died at the age of 96 after a brief illness. She was fun, fashionable, and quick-witted to the end of her well-lived life. She will be remembered by everyone who knew her for her intelligence, compassion, humor, and spirit. As one friend so poignantly said, "Letty never grew old." She is preceded in death by her beloved husband, Jack. She is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Tish and Greg Long, her 2 grandchildren, and her 6 great-grandchildren. Her family will have a private memorial service this summer, during Letty's favorite season of the year. Allen Funeral Home and Crematory have been entrusted with arrangements. Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.allencares.com