



## May Elkins Jester

March 30, 1928 - July 5, 2013

May Elkins Jester, age 85 of Bloomington died at her son's residence in Bloomington, Indiana on July 5, 2013, after suffering a stroke at home.

May was born on March 30, 1928 in Charlottesville, Virginia to Bruce D. and Katharine Grason Reynolds. She attended Lane High School in Charlottesville and Mary Washington College of The University of Virginia. On June 15, 1946 she married James P. Elkins who preceded her in death on August 18, 2000. She then married Wayne E. Jester who preceded her in death on January 17, 2008. She was also preceded in death by her brother and sister, Bruce D. Reynolds and Katharine Reynolds Stark.

May was a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution (Caroline Scott Harrison Chapter) and Mensa. She was a Camp Fire leader and served on the Five Hundred Festival Committee. She was also a member of the Southside Medical Auxiliary, serving as president in 1958. Last but not least, she was an enthusiastic member of the Hot Flash Poker Club.

May will be greatly missed. She never unduly interfered with her

children's lives but was always there for support when it was needed. She had a keen intellect, a great sense of humor and a gregarious love of life. Open-minded and empathetic, she genuinely espoused the "live and let live" philosophy. She adored her pets, loved to drive and enjoyed a good bourbon and coke.

May is survived by her children, Patricia Dye of Lafayette, IN, Paulette Walters of Morrisville, NC and James Elkins (wife Diana) of Bloomington, IN; her stepchildren, Cheryl McDivitt and Gary Jester; seven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

May will be interred in the University of Virginia Cemetery at Charlottesville where a family graveside service is planned for October 14, 2013. May had a soft spot for stray animals, so please make any memorial donations to your favorite animal shelter.

Allen Funeral Home 4155 South Old Highway 37 is handling the arrangements and online condolences may be sent to the family at [www.allenfuneralhome.org](http://www.allenfuneralhome.org).

# Tribute Wall

MI

“ Jim,

*Sorry for the loss of your mother. You are such a good person, take comfort she has lived such a full life. You are in our thought and prayers.*

*Mike and Gigi Conway*

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**Mike Conway** - October 26, 2015 at 04:10 PM

CJ

“ So sorry to hear of your loss.

*Wayne E. Jester was my father's brother.*

*She loved to send me updates and I sent her our annual Christmas letters.*

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**Cindy Jester Smith** - October 26, 2015 at 04:10 PM

KA

“ Sincere condolences to May's family from a DAR Daughter - member of the Caroline Scott Harrison Chapter - NSDAR.

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**Kay Nickey** - October 26, 2015 at 04:10 PM

DA

“ I'm very sorry for the loss of your mother.

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**Dave Tanner** - October 26, 2015 at 04:10 PM

KA

“ Just wanted to express my sadness at the loss of May. She was such a lovely lady and so enjoyed knowing her. She will be missed.

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**Karen Glasser** - October 26, 2015 at 04:10 PM

SA

“ *Paulette: I am in Indianapolis because my mom had part of her foot amputated this week. I was in her hospital room looking at the Indianapolis paper when I can across your mom's obituary! The picture looks exactly as I remember her! She was more fun than any of the other mothers of our friends in high school, and I am sorry she's gone. I have tried to find you through Facebook with no luck, and don't remember your married name, which appears to have changed since we last corresponded anyway! I would love to hear from you!*

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**Sandra Goben Akin** - October 26, 2015 at 04:10 PM

WI

“ *Our thoughts are with you.  
Wilbur,ginny and billy evans*

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**Wilbur Evans** - October 26, 2015 at 04:10 PM