



Marianne Shook Thornberry

February 24, 1921 - August 6, 2020

Marianne Mathilda Shook Thornberry, age 99, passed away peacefully in her sleep at her home August 6, 2020 with her son at her side.

She was the daughter of the late William Dean and Katharina Theis Shook. Preceding her in death was her husband, John Francis Thornberry, daughter, Katharina A Thornberry, sister, Ida Jane Park, brothers, Hal C Shook and John Henry Shook and niece, Joanne Katherine Beck.

Marianne was born in Koblenz, Germany. She grew up in Cooper Heights and is a graduate of Cedar Grove High School and Erlanger Baroness Hospital School of Nursing, Chattanooga, Tennessee. During WWII and the Korean Conflict, she honorably served our country in both the US Army, 1st Lt. USANC, and US Air Force, Capt. USAFNC, as a Nurse Anesthetist. She served as an operating room nurse, as a flight transport nurse, and as Nursing Supervisor at Walter Reed General Hospital, Bethesda, Maryland.

Marianne lived a full life as a wonderful mother and homemaker. She was a Girl Scout Leader and Cub Scout Den Mother for many years as well as Parent-Teacher Association (PTA) President in Ozark, Alabama. She was a remarkable cook and avid reader. She also had a fondness for birds with cardinals and mockingbirds being her favorite. Most of all she deeply loved her family and instilled in her children strong values that have served them

well. She will be dearly missed and forever in our hearts. She was a member of First Church of Christ, Scientist, Chattanooga.

She is survived by two sons; John Thornberry and Mike Thornberry (Linda), a grandson, Christopher Stoeckel of Germany and sister-in-law, Betty Jo Shook of Cooper Heights. Additionally, Marianne was a beloved aunt to several nieces and nephews; Mark Shook and Jeanie Shook Kasper (Peter) of Cooper Heights; Dick Park (Irene), Steven Park (Patty), and Ed Beck of Maryland; Karl Park (Sharon) of Virginia and a grandniece, Abigail Kasper of Cooper Heights. Special thanks to Hospice for their care and support.

In lieu of flowers donations can be made to Paralyzed Veterans of America. A graveside service will be held at 1:00 pm on Tuesday, August 11, 2020 at Chattanooga National Cemetery, with Rev. Steve Wells officiating. Arrangements by W.L. Wilson and Sons Funeral Home, Chickamauga.

Cemetery Details

Chattanooga National Cemetery

Holtzclaw Ave.
Chattanooga, TN

Previous Events

Graveside Service

AUG 11. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Chattanooga, TN

Tribute Wall



“ *The news of Mariann's death greatly saddened me. My heartfelt condolences.*

Marianne Esch (Theis) Welschneudorf – Germany - a Cousin of hers

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