



Shirley Lewis Schragl

August 23, 1921 - September 21, 2015

Shirley Lewis Schragl, 94, passed away on September 21, 2015 in Booneville, MS, where she was a resident. Shirley was born in Newark, New Jersey. She graduated from Columbia High School in Maplewood, New Jersey. She served in the Women's Army Corps in Liberal, KS as a logistics officer during WWII where she met her husband, Alexander Stevens Waller, Jr., who served there as a journalist. Shirley held the rank of Lieutenant. Her picture was one of the Army recruiting posters. Survivors include her son Jeffrey Waller, his wife, Ann Waller and many loving nieces and nephews on her sister's side of the family. She was predeceased by her husbands, Alex Waller and Anthony Schragl, her oldest son Stephen Waller, her brother Geoffrey Lewis, and her sister Ruth D'Alessandro.

Shirley's husband, Alex Waller, worked at the Times Picayune/States Item for 33 years, starting on the Night City Desk. Over the years he worked his way up to Business Manager. The New Orleans Press Club still honors him with a journalism award bearing his name. The entire Waller family worked at the Picayune at one time or another, Mother in the Classified Advertising Department, and the two brothers as copyboys for the Display Advertising Department.

Alex and Shirley resided first in New Orleans and later in Metairie, LA where they raised two sons, Stephen Robert Waller and Jeffrey Wayne Waller. After Alex's death in 1970, Shirley moved to Santa Barbara, CA. She met and married Anthony Schragl. After his death she moved to Marietta, GA to be

near her sister, Ruth D'Alessandro, and finally to Booneville, MS to be near her surviving son, Jeffrey. No matter where she lived, she always had a cozy home, a lovely garden and her dogs and cats. Her Church and faith were very important to her and she loved the people around her and made friends easily. She was a member of the Booneville Church of Christ.

No visitation or service will be held. Booneville Funeral Home is assisting the family. Memorials may be made to Booneville Church of Christ – Caring Cooks at 406 N. Second St., Booneville, Miss. or to the Pine Vale Children's Home at 1872 County Road 700, Corinth, Miss. 38834.

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“ *Anthony & Jane Moore lit a candle in memory of Shirley Lewis Schrag!*



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