



## Josephine A. Cooke

June 19, 2013

Josephine A. Cooke, 74, died Wednesday, June 19, 2013, at her home near Oxford, MS.

Born in Vicksburg, MS, Mrs. Cooke was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A.G. Alexander of Bogue de Sha Plantation, Yokena, MS. She graduated from All Saints School of Vicksburg and attended Ole Miss, where she graduated in 1959. She acted for many years, including a significant stint in the melodrama Gold in the Hills on the paddle wheel The Sprague. Mrs. Cooke became a Department of the Army civilian employee with the Special Services Branch. She was sent to the U.S. Army Post at Ingrandes-sur-Vienne, France in 1960. Upon returning from Europe, she taught at Central High School in Jackson, MS. Later, she earned her MS degree in speech pathology and audiology from the University of Georgia.

In 1961, she married James J. Cooke of Baltimore, MD. Mrs. Cooke returned to Ole Miss with her husband, an assistant professor of history, in 1969. A devoted member of the College Hill Presbyterian Church, she also was a member of the Ladies Auxiliary of the VFW and the DAR.

Visitation will be held Saturday, June 22, 2013, 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m. at College Hill Presbyterian Church with funeral services following at 11:00 a.m. at the church. Rev. Alan Cochet will officiate. Interment will be in the College

Hill Cemetery. Coleman Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Survivors include her husband of 51 years, James J. Cooke, of Oxford, MS; four children, Victoria E. Cooke of Columbia, SC, James A. Cooke of Madison, MS, Dr. Josephine E. Nicholson (Josie) of Oxford, MS and John H. Cooke of New Orleans, LA.

Memorials may be made to the College Hill Presbyterian Church, 339 CR 102, Oxford, MS 38655 or the Susan G. Komen Foundation, ATTN: Donor Services, P.O. Box 650309, Dallas, TX 75265-0309.

# Tribute Wall

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“*Mrs. Josephine Cooke taught me French at Central High School (Jackson, MS) in 1963-64. Had it not been for her kind heart, I probably wouldn't have graduated from High School. Mrs. Cooke knew that I was headed for Fort Polk, LA, upon graduation, if I graduated. I have nothing but kind thoughts for Mrs. Cooke. She went out of her way to help me. I shall never forget her.*

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