



Mary Cockrill Cude

July 20, 1938 - August 26, 2024

Coleman Funeral Home of Oxford

Mary Cockrill Cude, age 86, passed away on August 26, 2024. A Catholic graveside service will be held Wednesday, September 4, 2024, at 11:00 am at Memphis Memorial Gardens, where she will be buried next to her husband and mother. Coleman Funeral Home of Oxford, MS, is in charge of the arrangements.

Mary was born on July 20, 1938, in Memphis, Tennessee. She grew up there and attended high school. Mary went to college in Washington D. C., where she met the love of her life, Harry Cude. His career took them to Sunnyvale, CA, where they lived and worked for many years. Mary owned a florist shop and, for a time, worked in real estate. Mary ran for public office at one time and overcame her fear of cats so that she could campaign door-to-door in her community. Mary was devoted to her pets her whole adult life.

Upon retirement, Mary and Harry moved to Franklin, NC, and quickly became involved in the community. Mary was a devoted Catholic and assisted in teaching the RCIA class for a number of years. She was a member of the flower guild at church and was active in the garden club.

Mary was an active member of the Democratic Women of NC beginning in the

1980s and served as State President from 1998-2000. She was President of the Southern Region of the National Federation of Democratic Women. Mary was a delegate to the National Democratic Convention numerous times.

In addition to her husband, Harry Cude, Mary was preceded in death by her parents, Myrtle (Dimps) Ogan and Paul H. Cockrill, Sr., her sister Harriett Cockrill Rowland, and her brother Paul H. Cockrill, Jr. She is survived by her sister Jane Emerson Craddock and several nieces and nephews.

The family wishes to thank her neighbors and friends for the loving care she received over the past few years.

Online condolences may be composed on her Tribute Wall at www.colemanfuneralhomeox.com

Cemetery Details

Memphis Memory Gardens

6444 Raleigh Lagrange Rd
Memphis, TN 38134

Previous Events

Graveside Service

SEP 4. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *I enjoyed working with you at Red Cross.* ”

Jerry Harner - February 09, 2025 at 10:12 AM