



Helen Layerd

June 14, 1929 - April 29, 2016

Helen Marjorie Matson Layerd, 86, of Ocala began eternal life in heaven on April 29, 2016. She was born on June 14, 1929 in Tallahassee, FL to Albert Elwin and Helen Healy Matson. She graduated Leon County High School, Tallahassee in 1947. She married Eugene Layerd of Quincy, FL in 1948 and traveled with him for 20 years in the US Air Force. In 1968 she and Gene moved from Orlando to Hollywood, FL with their 2 daughters where they remained for 17 years before moving to Ocala in 1983. She was a longtime member of First Baptist Church Ocala where she enjoyed cooking for the gatherings of "Forever Young." She is survived by daughters Karla (Ron) Moose of Plantation, FL, and Lori (Steve) Hunter of Candler, FL, along with 4 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren. Karen (Matt) Cochrane of Plantation, FL with James, Rebekah, Anna and Gideon. Ryan (Megan) Moose of Port St. Lucie, FL with sons William and Andrew. Eric (Heather) Hunter of Winter Garden, FL with Garrett, Bayleigh, Hannah and Caleb. and Luke Hunter of Miami, FL. She also leaves behind brother James Elwin Matson and nephew James Healy Matson of Pensacola and niece Terri Matson Laveque also of Pensacola. Her memory will be cherished by all who knew and loved her. A memorial service will be held on Saturday May 7, at 4 PM at Roberts Bruce Funeral Home East (2739 SE Maricamp Rd. Ocala FL 34471). Burial will be at a later date at the National Cemetery in Bushnell, FL. Online condolences may be submitted by visiting the "Our Services" section at the bottom of the webpage www.robertsfuneralhomes.com. In lieu of flowers, the

family asks that memorial donations be made to Interfaith Emergency Services (P.O. Box 992 Ocala, FL 34478) or First Baptist Church of Ocala (2801 SE Maricamp Rd. Ocala, FL 34471).