



## Margie Fairchild Tyler

January 4, 2018

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Died 1/4/18 at age 94 in Murfreesboro after a short illness. She is survived by sons Dan Tyler (Adele) and Bill Tyler (Cindy) of Nashville, brother Wayne Fairchild (Bettie) of Shreveport, daughter-in-law Deb Tyler and granddaughter Jenny Baker (Roy) of Biloxi, MS; granddaughter Elise Tyler and grandson William Tyler, both of Los Angeles, CA, 3 great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends. She was predeceased by husband, Bill Tyler, and son, Bob Tyler.

Mrs. Tyler was born in 1923 in Tupelo, MS, and graduated with honors from the University of Mississippi after spending two years during WWII working at the Canadian embassy in Washington, D.C. She married and moved with her husband to McComb, Ms, where she had a long teaching career and was active in various groups, including Junior Auxiliary. After her husband's death in 1975, she moved to Jackson, MS, and worked for the Mississippi Tourism Department, serving as project director for the first International Ballet Competition, in 1979, and producing numerous trade shows and events throughout the U.S. and Canada. Later she worked as executive director of both the Mississippi Broadcasters Association and Mississippi Water Resources. She retired in 1998 and moved to Murfreesboro to be closer to family in Nashville and McMinnville. In Murfreesboro she worked in marketing for Farmers Insurance, established a local writer's club, and did volunteer work, including a book drive after Hurricane Katrina to collect over 4,000 books for the library in Biloxi, MS.

An avid traveler, Margie made fourteen trips to Europe. Other serious hobbies included cooking and painting watercolors. She won numerous cooking awards, traveling throughout the U.S. for national finals and authored the Little Bean Book cookbook, published in 1989. Her young adult novella, Tales from Tumble Inn, a collaboration with her son and illustrator, Bill Tyler, was published in 2013.

Above all, her main passion in life was her family, saying "I wish to be remembered as a devoted wife and mother, fun grandmother, dedicated teacher, and caring friend."

Special thanks to her loyal friends and caretakers Candy Tate, Gwendolyn Kern, and Gloria Cardiel, as well as staff at Amada Senior Care. Funeral arrangements are through Jennings and Ayers Funeral Home. Memorials can be made to Centenary Methodist Church in McComb, MS or to French Camp Academy, One Fine Place, French Camp, MS, 39745.

# Comments

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“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Margie Fairchild Tyler.



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“ I never had the honor of meeting Mrs. Tyler. But through her son Bill and his wife Cindy, Mrs.'s Tyler's vehicle saved the next years for me! Bill and Cindy, I will forever be grateful for you kindness, that I know Bill must have learned from his Mom years and years ago. My thoughts are with all you family and my prayers are lifted up to the Heavens to be with you all and give you strength during this sad time. My condolences to all the Tyler family. God Bless you.  
Janice Tomlinson

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