



Marie Lyon Burton Munro

March 20, 2002

Marie Lyon Burton Munro, who passed away March 20, 2002 in Pasadena, California, was buried at 2 pm Sunday, May 18, 2003, at Maplewood Cemetery in Camillus. She joins her husband of 49 years, James Munro, who died June 4, 1991 and is interred in the Maplewood Cemetery. The daughter of Roy and Jesse Burton, she was born in Burnsville, North Carolina, December 27, 1913, and grew up in Burnsville and Weaverville with her two brothers, Roy and Lamar. She attended Queens College in Charlotte, where she was a member of Kappa Delta sorority and graduated with a B.A. in Chemistry in 1936. After teaching for a period of time, she moved to Washington, D.C., at the onset of World War II, where she worked in the Treasury Department and met her husband-to-be, an attorney in the department. They were married in the Presbyterian Church in Weaverville, December 31, 1941. James Munro was commissioned as a Lieutenant in the United States Navy in 1942. Following service in the South Pacific, he returned to the United States as Officer in Charge of the naval air station in Bar Harbor, Maine and subsequently various other air stations until the war's end. The Bar Harbor area remained dear to Mr. and Mrs. Munro's hearts throughout their lives as a result of this experience. The young couple moved to Wyoming after the end of the war. Their son, David, was born in Laramie and their daughter, Heather, in Sheridan. Mr. Munro became a professor of law, teaching at universities in the West and Midwest over the course of his life. In addition to raising a family, Mrs. Munro worked principally in the field of library science and did graduate work in that field at the University of Massachusetts in Amherst. Her work experience included academic libraries, i.e., the University of South Dakota Medical School Library and the University of Auckland in New Zealand during Mr. Munro's sabbatical. Mrs. Munro served as Head Librarian of the Clapp Memorial Library in Belchertown, Massachusetts for a number of years prior to her retirement and relocation to Pasadena, California in 1989. Marie Lyon Burton Munro was a life-long member of the Daughters of the American Revolution and was an active member of the Mary Mattoon Chapter during her years in Belchertown. She is survived by her son David, of Luxor, Egypt; her daughter, Heather Lyon Munro Bridges, of Pasadena, California and her two granddaughters, also of Pasadena, Frances Marie Bridges and Elizabeth Munro Bridges. Arrangements are by the B.L. Bush & Sons Funeral Home, 10 Genesee Street, Camillus.