



Mary "Mib" LaTourette

July 27, 1926 - March 17, 2020

Mary "Mib" Boyd LaTourette, of Tyler passed away peacefully Tuesday, March 17, 2020. She was born July 27, 1926 in Cincinnati, Ohio to Joseph Henry Boyd and Elizabeth Perkins Boyd. Mary was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Harry Belmont LaTourette Jr.; her daughter, Ann Stewart LaTourette; and her sister, Ann Boyd Young. She is survived by her niece, Beth Young Holland and her nephew, Joseph Edward Young. She was laid to rest in Rose Hill Cemetery.

Mary "Mib" had an adventurous youth, spending her childhood years in Ohio and then traveling across the Pacific with her family in 1944 to live in Hawaii. There she met Harry, her handsome naval officer. Mib studied at University of Hawaii, Western College for Women in Oxford, Ohio and graduated from University of Cincinnati. Harry began his law practice in St. Louis, Missouri in his family's law firm. They married in 1947 and their daughter, Ann was born in 1953.

Mib LaTourette loved Tyler from the very first day she arrived in 1956. Azaleas were blooming and Tyler was bright and beautiful. She served her beloved town by her participation and leadership in many local organizations (Rose Festival, Jr. Women's League, Symphony League, Garden Club, Tyler's Public Library board, local theaters, and local schools). Mib and Harry were long-time members of First Presbyterian Church.

Mib was passionate about learning throughout her life. She loved current events, the Constitution, history, politics, Shakespeare, reading good books, travelling the world, afternoon horse rides, driving her car and spending time with “her fabulous friends.” But the thing we will miss the most about her was her keen interest in everyone she encountered. To Mib LaTourette, life was a tapestry of interesting people, places and subjects. Our world will be just a little duller without her.

A memorial service for Mary “Mib” B. LaTourette, will be held at a later date when gatherings are possible again at First Presbyterian Church of Tyler. Rev. Dr. Stuart Baskin will officiate.

Tribute Wall

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“ Mib exercised in the gym where I was teaching yoga and she always came into the room after class to do her stretching. She was so flexible and I could tell she kept herself that way with her exercising and stretching. I was very impressed! Then I got to know her better through First Presbyterian Church and really grew to love her through our short visits after church. Of course we always talked about her exercise among other things, but most of all I loved her fun and sweet spirit! Mib will be missed by all who were blessed to know her! God's blessings, Patty Kirkpatrick

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