



## Velma Ruth(Maddox) Landon

June 3, 1926 - March 5, 2017

Velma Ruth (Maddox) Landon passed away peacefully March 5, 2017 at the Hospice of East Texas in Tyler. Mrs. Landon was 90 years of age.

Born the third of five children in Ponca City, OK to Thomas Cleo and Ruth Beatrice (Kendall) Maddox in 1926. V. Ruth attended Ponca City schools and enrolled at Oklahoma State University in Stillwater in 1944, where she was an active member of the Alpha Delta Pi sorority. She graduated in 1948 with a degree in Sociology and was married to Joseph David Landon of Duncan, Oklahoma (OSU 49') that same year.

V. Ruth and her husband Joe lived both in Chicago, IL, and Racine, WI while raising four children and retired to Emerald Bay in Tyler, TX in 1990. They were active members of the Racine Country Club and the Emerald Bay Country Club. V. Ruth was also an active volunteer with the Junior League and the St. Luke's Hospital Women's Auxiliary, and attended First Presbyterian Church, all of Racine, WI.

V. Ruth was preceded in death by her husband of 64 years, "Jo", who passed away March 2, 2012 in Tyler, at age 89.

She is survived by her brother Wm L. Bill Maddox, of Fort Smith, Arkansas; her sons, David Joseph Landon of Tucson, AZ and James Richard Landon of

New Port Ritchie, FL; her daughters, Lisa Anne Landon of Plano and Tricia Lynne Kuivinen of Cleveland, OH; as well as eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

A memorial service for V. Ruth will be held in Ponca City, OK at a date to be determined.

Gifts of remembrance may be made to the Alpha Delta Pi sorority chapter at OSU using the following address, Alpha Delta Pi Foundation, Inc., Memo: Alpha Omicron Educational Housing Fund (OSU Campus), 1386 Ponce de Leon Avenue NE, Atlanta, GA 30306.