



Mary Breeze Hagy

January 26, 1918 - July 25, 2011

93, was born in Villa Grove, IL, in 1918 to William and Perna Keilman Breeze. She was raised in Decatur, IL, with older brother Lewis Breeze and younger sister Virginia Breeze Hartman. In 1941 she married Raymond Dutch Cripe. She followed her husband across the country to Colorado, California, South Carolina, and New York City before his deployment overseas. In New York City she worked at Bonwit Tellers where she sewed on dresses for Kate Smith. Once he was deployed she returned to Decatur, IL, where she worked at Houdaille-Hershey at which part of the atomic bomb was constructed. Her husband was killed at the Battle of the Bulge in World War II in January of 1945. After the war, Mary went to Business College, traveled across the U.S., and took a job as a secretary for the Family Service Association in Decatur, IL. She married Lloyd Rollen Hagy in 1952, and moved to Indianapolis where in 1953 she gave birth to one son, David Hagy, currently the music director of the Salisbury Symphony. She took a position at the Indianapolis Family Service Association in 1955, becoming the secretary to the Executive Director, retiring in 1983. Lloyd Hagy preceded her in death in 1989. Following her husband's death, Mary traveled extensively across the country, going to both Hawaii and Alaska, and particularly enjoyed national parks with mountains. Throughout her life she collected miniature elephants and enjoyed sewing. Her sense of humor was keen even through her last days. In 2007, she moved from Indianapolis to Trinity Oaks in Salisbury, NC, to be closer to her son. There she made new friends, attended several of her son's concerts,

and became a lifetime member of both the Salisbury Symphony and Rowan-Salisbury Symphony Guild. On arrival in Salisbury she lived in independent living, moved to assisted living, and after two small strokes she moved into the Lutheran Home on the Trinity Oaks Campus. Mary is survived by her son, David Hagy; niece, Vicki Hartman Moeckel, of Garden Grove, CA, and two nephews, Thomas Hartman and Robert Breeze, both of Decatur, IL as well as several cousins. A visitation will be held Friday, July 29, 2011 from 7:00 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. at Shirley Brothers Irving Hill Chapel, 5377 E. Washington Street.