



## **Lucy M. Davis, 92**

Lucy Davis, 92, of Charlotte, NC and East Woodstock, CT passed away Tuesday, May 24, 2011 in Charlotte. The daughter of the late Samuel McDowell McNutt and Mary Linda Walton, she was born July 28, 1918 in Amelia County, VA.

After graduating from Rice High School, she completed a secretarial program with financial assistance from her elder sister, the late Mary McNutt Gates and then worked for a time in the Accounts receivable department of the Westinghouse Hotel Supply company in Richmond, VA until moving to Southbridge MA and joining American Optical Company. After a stint as full-time mother and home maker, she became the first Faculty Secretary for Nichols College in Dudley, MA where she worked for many years.

Lucy was an accomplished quilter and gardener and loved to cook and entertain. She was a charter member of the New England Quilt museum and assisted with a project to inventory heritage quilts held by many New England families. Her own work is held and treasured by many friends and relatives, where in some cases, more than one generation has a baby quilt she designed, pieced, and quilted. She was also very generous with cuttings and bulbs from her garden, and her day lilies are scattered throughout New England and into North Carolina. Lucy was a very active volunteer and served on many committees for her church, and worked on projects for the Woodstock Historical Society. She viewed her community, particularly the church, as her family and was a frequent visitor to those people in the community whom she thought might like some home cooked food or a friendly chat.

Lucy is survived by her sons, John M. Davis and wife Charlotte, of Charlotte, NC and Robert B Davis and wife, Margaret Weiland of Bellingham, WA; grandchildren, Julian M. Davis, PhD, and wife Robin Bruce of San Antonio, Texas, Laura E. Davis, Esq. of Knoxville, TN, Dr. Christine Kirchner, DDS, Husband Jason Little and son Aiden Little of Seattle, WA; sister, Patsy McNutt Daniel of Danville, VA, a special cousin, Myrtle "Mutt" Walton Blanton of Rice, VA, a large number of nieces and nephews, as well as her friends in the L'Apres Midi and East Woodstock Congregational Church. She was predeceased by her husband of 64 years, John K. Davis, her elder sister, Mary McNutt Gates, of Rice VA, brothers, Robert McNutt of Johnson City, TN and Frank McNutt, of Rice, VA

A memorial service will be held at the East Woodstock Congregational Church at 10:00 AM on Saturday, June 18. At Lucy's request for this occasion, ladies are invited to wear their favorite garden party hat and happy colors. The family will receive friends in the fellowship hall following the service.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations to the East Woodstock Congregational Church, East Woodstock, CT, 06244, the New England Quilt Museum, 18 Shattuck Street, Lowell MA 01852 or The Heifer Project, Heifer International, 1 World Avenue, Little Rock, AR 72202.