



Eleanor Marietta Johnson Tobie

January 24, 2001

Eleanor Marietta Johnson Tobie, a former research parasitologist at the Laboratory of Parasitic Diseases, National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, MD, died on Wednesday, January 24, 2001, at Heron Point in Chestertown, MD. She was 92.

Born November 11, 1908, in Latimer, IA, she was the daughter of the late Albert and Marie Schonemann Johnson. Mrs. Tobie received a B.A. degree from St. Olaf College in Northfield, MN, in 1930. From 1931 until 1942, Mrs. Tobie taught biology and physical education first in Iowa schools and later (1937-1942) in Fort Morgan, CO. In 1942 she received a M.S. degree in Economic Zoology from Iowa State College (now Iowa State University) in Ames, IA. Mrs. Tobie joined the National Institutes of Health in 1943, as a junior zoologist in the Division of Zoology.

In 1946, she assumed the position of Parasitologist, in the Division of Tropical Diseases and Laboratory of Tropical Diseases, where she worked until 1961. In that year, she was transferred to the laboratory of Parasitic Diseases, where she held the position of Research Parasitologist until her retirement in 1969. During those years, her major research interests were parasite physiology, the development of media for cultivating the parasites known as haemoflagellates, the life cycles and biology of haemoflagellates, and the action of antibiotics on trypanosomes, a group of parasites that includes the

one responsible for African sleeping sickness.

She was a member of several scientific societies, including the American Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene, of which she was an emeritus member at the time of her death.

Mrs. Tobie and her husband, Dr. John E. Tobie, whom she married in 1947, made their home in Bethesda until 1991, when they moved to Chestertown, MD. She was a member of First United Methodist Church in Chestertown. Dr. Tobie predeceased his wife in 2000. Mrs. Tobie is survived by two sisters and ten nieces and nephews. A memorial services will be held at 2:00 p.m., Thursday, February 1, 2001 at Wesley Hall, Heron Point. Interment will be held privately.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Heron Point, 501 E. Campus Drive, Chestertown, MD 21620.

Tribute Wall



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