



Elizabeth Anne "Bette " Hessler

October 22, 2000

Elizabeth Anne "Bette" Hessler of Chestertown, MD, died on Sunday, October 22, 2000, at Kent and Queen Anne's Hospital. She was 83.

She was born on May 8, 1917, in St. Marys, PA, the daughter of the late James Hiatt and Bessie Strock Thompson. Mrs. Hessler was a 1935 graduate of St. Mary's High School and a 1943 graduate of Westminster Choir College in Princeton, NJ. She also attended Towson State College. On April 13, 1943, she married George Hessler, and they made their home in Pennsylvania until moving to Chestertown in 1956.

Mrs. Hessler taught vocal music in the Kent County Public Schools for 17 years, retiring in 1981. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church where she founded and conducted the Jr. Church Choir and served as past president of the women's society. Her husband was the church organist. Mrs. Hessler was also a member of the Worton Homemakers and volunteered at the Kent and Queen Anne's Hospital where she worked in the nearly new shop. She enjoyed classical music.

In addition to her husband of 57 years, she is survived by a son, Reed P. Hessler and his wife Dyane Fancey of Baltimore. Her two brothers predeceased her, the late Edwin S. and J. Howard Thompson.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday, October 26, 2000, at 11 a.m. at First United Methodist Church in Chestertown. The Rev. Garry Parker will officiate. Relatives and friends may call at Fellows, Helfenbein, and Newnam Funeral Home, 130 Speer Rd., in Chestertown on Wednesday October 25, 2000, between the hours of 7-9 p.m.

Interment will be on Friday October 27, 2000, at 12 p.m. at Mt. Zion Cemetery in Churchtown, PA.

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