



Leta Ellen Steele

February 10, 2002

Leta E. Steele, of Easton, MD died at Genesis Eldercare-The Pines, Easton, on Sunday, February 10, 2002. She was 83.

Born January 3, 1919 at her parents' home on Dutchman's Lane, Easton, she was the oldest daughter of the late Nelson Clifford and Mae Helsby Blann. After graduation from Easton High School in 1935, she did postsecondary work in business at the school and went on to be a secretary for Eastern Shore Nurseries in Easton. She remained at that job until her marriage in 1941 to James A. Steele.

One month after their marriage, World War II was declared and James enlisted in the United States Navy. Leta followed him to Florida and, after he was sent overseas, moved to Philadelphia to work for Sun Oil until his return from the Pacific.

Following the war, the Steeles settled in Talbot County and were engaged in farming and in the poultry business. Both were actively involved in the business, as were their four children. Mr. and Mrs. Steele were recognized for their contribution to the poultry industry on several occasions and welcomed guests from abroad to their operation.

Following their retirement, they built a home in the country and traveled

extensively across the 48 states until he became ill with cancer. He died in 1980. Mrs. Steele remained on the family farm until 1995 when she moved to Easton.

Mrs. Steele was an active member of the First Wesleyan Church in Easton where she was a Sunday School and Bible School teacher and, for ten years, gave of her talents as a pianist to church services held at Genesis Eldercare.

Mrs. Steele is survived by three daughters, Stella Maynard and her husband, John, of Hampton, IA, Ruth S. Worm and her husband, William, of Preston and Jane Steele of Easton; a son, James A. Steele, III and his wife, Linda, of Vorhees, NJ; a sister, Minnie Esther Parks of Easton and four grandchildren, Holly Worm, Katelan Steele, Daniel Maynard and Timothy Maynard.

Funeral services will be held on Friday, February 15th, at 11 AM at the First Wesleyan Church, Easton.

Burial will be at the Oxford Cemetery, Oxford, MD.

Friends may call at the Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home, P.A., Easton, on Thursday evening, February 14th, from 7 – 9 PM.

Memorial donations may be made to the Friends of Talbot County Free Library, 100 West Dover St., Easton, MD 21601.

Tribute Wall



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