



Modesta Conner Bailey

February 18, 1929 - April 15, 2015

Modesta C. Bailey of Claymont, DE, died peacefully on April 15, 2015, at Singerly Manor Assisted Living Home, Elkton, MD. She was 86.

Mrs. Bailey was born February 18, 1929, in Landenberg, PA, the daughter of the late Charles and Helen Weaver Conner. She graduated from Kennett Consolidated High School in 1946. She married the late Paul E. Bailey on December 23, 1950, and they were married for 59 years.

Mrs Bailey worked briefly for Hercules Corp. in the late 40's and early 50's. For over 45 years she worked along side Paul as bookkeeper for their business, Arctic Refrigeration. She was a caregiver the majority of her life, first helping with her siblings when her father died and then raising her three children. Mrs Bailey enjoyed reading and volunteering in her community. She was truly a giving person.

As a member of the United Methodist Church of the Atonement, Claymont, DE, for over 60 years, Mrs Bailey held several positions including trustee, finance board, counter and altar guild. In addition, she was involved in organizing and preparing many church dinners and funeral luncheons as well as preparing meals for Emmanuel Dining Room for the Poor and Homeless in Wilmington, DE.

In addition to her parents, Mrs. Bailey is predeceased by her husband Paul E. Bailey, (2010), her daughter, Carol Ann Bailey (1990), four brothers, Charles, Levan, Argyle and Bill; and one sister, Laura McClure.

Mrs Bailey is survived by her son, Jay E. Bailey and his wife Leigh (Bear, DE); and her daughter, Susan B. Schauber and her husband Allan (Chestertown, MD). In addition, Mrs Bailey is survived by three granddaughters, Jennifer L. Bailey, Rachel M. Bailey, Elizabeth A. Bailey & her fiance Earl Bradley, all of Bear, DE; one grandson, Andrew A. Franklin & his wife Jacqueline of Worton, MD; and two great-grandchildren, Taylor A. Franklin & Andrew A “Drew” Franklin, Jr., both of Worton, MD. Mrs Bailey is also survived by a sister, Barbara Cloud and her husband Phillip; three brothers-in-law, Rodger Bailey and wife Betty, Col. Norman Martin and Raymond McClure; and many nieces and nephews.

Memorial services will be held on Saturday April 25, 2022, at 11 a.m. at the United Methodist Church of the Atonement, Claymont, DE. Friends and family may visit at the church after 10 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests contributions in her memory to the United Methodist Church of the Atonement, 3519 Philadelphia Pike, Claymont DE 19703 or AMEDISYS Hospice Care, 107 Chesapeake Blvd. Suite 134, Elkton, MD 21921.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **25**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

UMC of the Atonement
3519 Philadelphia Pike
Claymont, DE 19703

Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall



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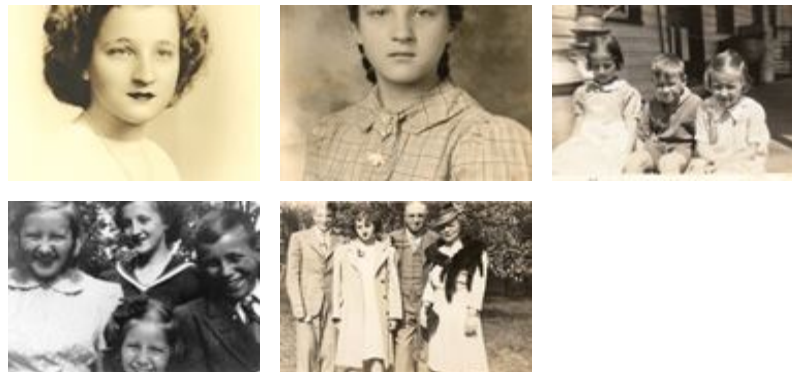
“ *Susan & Jay (and families),*

I was truly sorry to hear of your Mom's recent passing. "Aunt Desty" was my favorite aunt! I always looked forward to my visits with her and Uncle Paul from my childhood until recently, knowing that some hilarious jokes and general merriment were sure to ensue at several points. She was definitely cut from the same sturdy cloth as her mom, Helen "Granny" Conner. We always liked the way she bluntly spoke her mind and didn't B.S. (yet always had a twinkle in her eye when she was giving you "what for", and she was opinionated and hard-working, like all the Conner women. But she truly had a heart of gold and was generous and compassionate with everyone. I will sincerely miss her and will always harbor many fond memories of her and Uncle Paul around their kitchen table. May God grant you all His deep peace. May she rest in peace.

Mark McClure - May 30, 2015 at 06:55 PM



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Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - April 20, 2015 at 11:49 AM

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“ *Susan and family, we are sorry to hear of your loss. You and everyone are in our thoughts and prayers Peggy*

Peggy Comegys - April 20, 2015 at 11:23 AM

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“ *Peggy Comegys lit a candle in memory of Modesta Conner Bailey*



Peggy Comegys - April 20, 2015 at 11:20 AM