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Iris Jane (IJ) Norman

Highlands - Iris Jane (IJ) Norman, age 97, of Highlands, NC, passed away Wednesday November 4, 2009 at Fidelia Eckert Nursing Home. She was born in Lockney, Texas, the daughter of the late John and Wilhemina Hassell Witherspoon. She was a registered nurse and a member of Broadway Church of Christ. She was a member of Professional Women's Society, while she served as Superintendent of Student Health Service at Texas Tech University.

She is survived by her daughter, Jane Lea Norman Sticka and her son in law Dale Sticka, and her Granddaughter Shannon P. Sticka all of Highlands, NC. She was preceded in death by two sisters, Athalee Genn and Lucille Freeman, a twin brother, D.J. Witherspoon, and brother Hack Witherspoon.

She spent most of her life in Lubbock and Dallas,Texas. Growing up during the Great Depression which made her a person who could work hard, but also a person who developed the grace and poise to run a hospital and also entertain royalty. Those that knew her were amazed by her presence and her ability to win you over quickly with her grace. Yes, she will be missed by all who knew her.

By her request, no services are planned, she believed in celebrating life not death. For those who would like to make a contribution to a cause she embraced, please acknowledge Highlands Cashiers Hospice and Friends for Life.

The family would like to take this time to praise both Fidelia Eckert and Highlands Cashiers Hospice where all went out of their way to aid and assist us during this difficult time. Life is fragile so live like there is no tomorrow, dance like no one is watching, laugh often, and help one another.

Bryant-Grant Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

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