



Ella E. Bassett

December 4, 1902 - August 28, 2009

MORGAN, VERMONT – Mrs. Ella E. (Farrow) Bassett, 106, of Morgan, Vermont, and formerly of Canaan, Vermont, passed away early Friday morning, August 28, 2009, at the Newport Healthcare Center in Newport, Vt.

Mrs. Bassett was born December 4, 1902, in West Norwood, Surrey, England, the youngest daughter of the late Arthur and Harriet (Lucas) Farrow.

Mrs. Bassett moved with her family from England to Stanstead, Quebec, in 1906, where she was raised with ten of her fourteen brothers and sisters. In 1925, she began working for New England Telephone & Telegraph, and in 1926 she married Arthur W. Bassett in Stanstead and later moved to Newport where she began raising her family. In 1930, she moved to Canaan and worked in her home where she also enjoyed tending to her garden and preparing meals for her family. She resided in Canaan until 2008 and held the Boston Post Cane for the Town of Canaan for many years until her move to Newport. She was a member of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, a past-member of the St. Paul's Guild, a member of the Pythian Sisters, a 73-year member of the Eureka Chapter #2, Order of the Eastern Star, of Colebrook, NH, a 70-year member of the Federated Women's Club, and a charter member of the Canaan Historical Society. Her other interests included sewing, knitting, crocheting, cooking and tending to her flower garden.

Mrs. Bassett is survived by her son, Jim Bassett and wife, Shirley, of Derby, Vt.; six grandchildren; eleven great-grandchildren; two step great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

Mrs. Bassett is preceded in death by her husband; a daughter, June Jacob on August 24, 2009, and her fourteen brothers and sisters.

Calling hours will be held on Sunday, August 30, 2009, from 2-4 p.m. at the Jenkins & Newman Funeral Home in Colebrook. A funeral service will be conducted on Monday, August 31st at 2:00 p.m. at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Canaan with The Reverend Robert Lee officiating. An interment service will follow at the Colebrook Village Cemetery.

Expressions of sympathy in Mrs. Bassett's memory may be made to the St. Paul's Episcopal Church, c/o The Rev. Robert Lee, Canaan, VT 05903; or to the "Canaan Flower Lady Garden," c/o Town Clerk, P.O. Box 159, Canaan, VT 05903.

Condolences may be offered to the family on-line by going to www.jenkinsnewman.com.

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Jenkins & Newman Funeral Home, Colebrook, NH.

Tribute Wall



“ Our sympathy goes to all of you on your recent losses. Ella was a great person with a good sense of humor. She will be missed.##imported-begin##Sue and Fred##imported-end##

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“ Dear Jimmy and Shirley, I feel so bad for your loss of your mother and sister in the same week. I have very fond memories of both of them. They were both wonderful women who thought of others and were such an asset to the town of Canaan, where you and I both grew up. Love and prayers for your whole family. Gloria##imported-begin##Gloria Hikel Parkhurst##imported-end##

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