



Thelma B. Hall

September 22, 1907 - April 4, 2004

Miss Thelma B. Hall, 96, of Colebrook, died on Sunday evening, April 4, 2004 at the Upper Connecticut Valley Hospital.

Miss Hall was born on September 22, 1907 in Bloomfield, daughter of the late William and Myra (Moulton) Hall.

She grew up in Bloomfield and was graduated from Stratford High School, the only child of four to graduate from high school. She began her working career for the Willard Nugent family and on December 31, 1926, she began working for the Coös Telephone Company, later known as New England T&T, as a telephone operator. She worked as a telephone operator for over 40 years while also serving as a traveling operator in Laconia, Rochester and the Everett, Mass. area and finishing her distinguished career in Littleton, N.H.

Miss Hall demonstrated a great love for her family, caring for her nephew, Wilfred Laramée, at a very young age, and other family members, such as her parents and siblings, enabling them to remain home rather than being placed in a nursing facility. She had many interests including gardening, fine needlework, sewing, cross-stitching, cooking and dining out. She also enjoyed dancing, and often frequented the Bluebird Pavilion in her younger years.

She was a meticulous housekeeper and enjoyed entertaining. She was a member of the Telephone Pioneers of America and the Bloomfield Methodist Church, while also generously supporting the Trinity United Methodist Church in Colebrook.

Miss Hall will be remembered for her devotion to family; for her life's philosophy, which is "every good piece of steel has a temper"; and for her zest for life.

Miss Hall is survived by two cousins, Erva Kempton and Theo MacWilliams, both of Newport, N.H.; great-nieces and nephews Rebecca Borry and her husband Arthur of Alexandria, N.H., Bill Laramée of Colebrook, John Laramée and his wife Tina of Weare,

Jim Laramée and his wife Debby of Gulfport, Fla. and Martha Laramée and her husband Jerry Crete of Hudson; four great-great nieces and nephews Megan Laramée, Patrick Borry, Marianne Borry and Norman Borry; her late nephew's wife, Pauline "Polly" Laramée of Colebrook; and her housekeeper and dear friend, Margaret Young of Colebrook.

Miss Hall is preceded in death by her parents; two sisters, Ella Hughes and Wilma Stone; her brother, Merton Hall; and two nephews, Wilfred Laramée and Robert Stone.