



## Elizabeth Baker Bowers

August 26, 1915 - September 13, 2016

Elizabeth Baker Bowers passed away on September 13, 2016 while residing in Dunwoody Village, Newtown Square, PA. She lived an enjoyable, full, long life of 101 years.

Born in West Philadelphia on August 26, 1915 to George Emerson Crofoot and Edna Baker Hopkins where she lived until she married Wilber Keen Tritle in 1944. She attended Friends' Central School and the University of Pennsylvania, graduating in 1937. Upon her marriage she lived in Ardmore, PA for 40 years with her husband and son, Wilber Baker Tritle, born in 1947. After the death of her first husband, she married Thatcher Nye Bowers in 1984, a life-long friend and distant relative, who passed away in 1988. She has resided at Dunwoody Village, a retirement community in Newtown Square, PA since 1987 where she continued to be active in the Dunwoody Library and "Inside Dunwoody" newsletter.

Upon graduating from Penn, she worked in the editorial department at John C. Winston, a publishing house in Philadelphia. Following her move to Ardmore she became a member of the Woman's Club of Ardmore, and served in several capacities at the Ardmore Public Library, including Chairman of the Board. Later, she worked at the Haverford College Library for 15 years as Executive Secretary in the Quaker collection.

Her interests included the Kappa Kappa Gamma Sorority, D.A.R., Mayflower Society, and the Wellfleet Historical Society. She read extensively, enjoyed playing bridge, and did a great deal of historical research, specifically

genealogy. In the 1970's she and her husband volunteered, and entertained many foreign visitors in conjunction with the International Visitors Council of Philadelphia. She loved to travel throughout the USA and also visited over 30 foreign countries.

Her favorite spot was "Meadowbank", her family summer home in Wellfleet, Cape Cod, MA. It was here that she spent parts of 90 summers and has her most cherished memories of her family that consists of her son Bill, his wife Dana, her six grandchildren: Paul Tritle, Kate Witcoski, Susan Paris, John Tritle, Amy Tritle, and Martin Tritle; and her seven great grand-children: Kyle, Jonathan, Madeline, Jack, Cameron, Theodore and Samuel. She is also survived by her step-son Rowland Bowers and his wife Mary, her step-daughter Marion Natale and her husband Karl, and three step grand-children and their families. As she said some 20 years ago, she started out with a small family and ended with a large family spanning the United States, for which she was eternally grateful.

Her memory lives on with her beloved family of multiple generations, and she will forever be loved and missed.

Her Memorial Service will be held on Tuesday September 20th. at 2 PM in the Auditorium at Dunwoody Village, 3500 West Chester Pike, Newtown Square, PA 19073

Contributions in her memory may be made to either Wellfleet Public Library, 55 W. Main Street

Wellfleet, MA 02667, Wellfleet Conservation Trust, 35 Nauset Road, Wellfleet, MA 02667. or Wellfleet Historical Trust, 266 Main Street, Wellfleet, MA 02667

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

SEP **20**. 2:00 PM (ET)

Dunwoody Village Auditorium  
3500 West Chester Pike  
Newtown Square, PA