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**HOMER LACY
CALLAWAY JONES**

Homer Lacy Callaway Jones, age 92 of Bryan, passed away Sunday afternoon, July 2, 2000 in Bryan. Born March 28, 1908 in Palestine, she was the daughter of Sallye Rainey Lacy and C. Homer Callaway and the great-granddaughter of Col. Alexis T. Rainey, CSA. She graduated from Crockett High School, attended CIA (now, North Texas State), and Texas University (UT), and received her Bachelor of Science Degree from Sam Houston State Teachers College (SHSU). Following her graduation she taught public school in Houston County and Garland.

In 1945, she became a licensed funeral director and returned to Crockett, to work in the family business, Callaway Funeral Home. In 1953, she moved to Bryan, where she co-founded Callaway-Jones Funeral Home. She was the first licensed female funeral director to practice in Brazos County. In 1955, during the 109th Annual Convention of the Texas Funeral Directors Association, she was honored for having been a licensed funeral director in Texas for over 50 years. She was very proud of her family's heritage and long tradition in funeral service and the fact that ten immediate family members became licensed funeral directors, spanning four generations. At one time her family was the largest family of licensed funeral directors in the state.

Mrs. Jones volunteered her time freely and was involved in numerous organizations. She was a member of the Business and Professional Women's Assoc., The A & M Garden Club, OPAS, and the Knife and Fork Club. She was also a member of Order of the Eastern Star, Chapter 222, Past Worthy Matron of College Station Chapter #1026, O.E.S., and was a sponsor of the Rainbow Girls. In 1999, she received recognition of her 50 years as an Eastern Star member. She was a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, The Daughters of the Republic of Texas, The Daughters of the Confederacy, and also has served as Memorial Chairman for the Brazos County Heart Association for many years. She was a very active member of the First United Methodist Church

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of Bryan, the United Methodist Women, and was long-time teacher of the neighborly Sunday school class.

Mrs. Jones was preceded in death by her husband Manely W. Jones in 1979 and two brothers Lester and Herbert Callaway.

Survivors include two sons and daughter-in-laws Raymond

Callaway Jones and wife Dian of Bryan, Rev. Manley W. Jones, Jr. and wife Mary of Moselle, Mass.; brother Ramon Callaway of Crockett; two sisters Anne Hatfield and Sally Jean Callaway, both of Bryan; four grandchildren Michael (Mike) and Lorene Jones of Bryan, Raymond and Gina Jones of Tampa, Fla., Heather Jones of Miami Fla., and Cheryl Jones of Dallas; two great-grandsons Cody D. Jones of Dallas and Chris Jones of Tampa, Fla.; a number of nieces and nephews all of whom were very special to her.

Mrs. Jones enjoyed traveling, flowers, fishing, genealogy and studying the Bible. But most of all, she enjoyed her family. She was a dedicated churchwoman, caring friend, and gracious lady. The family expresses their sincere gratitude for the many expressions of love and concern for Mrs. Jones as she approached the end of life always filled with love and concern for others.

Funeral services for Mrs. Jones were held Wed. July 5 at 11 a.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Bryan with the Rev. Bob Waters, Herral Dunnam and Bob Richers officiating. Interment followed in the Evergreen Cemetery in Crockett. Memorials may be made to the Building Fund of First United Methodist Church in Bryan.

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