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Dailey

Mabel Lee Kent

Mabel Lee Kent, 89, passed from this life to Everlasting Life Saturday, January 7, 2006. At the time of her passing she was surrounded by loved ones at a local care center.

Funeral arrangements are entrusted to Grimes Funeral Chapels of Kerrville. The family will receive visitors between 5:00 and 7:00 p.m. at Grimes Funeral Chapels in Kerrville on Thursday, January 12, 2006. A graveside service will be held at Dailey Cemetery near Grapeland, Texas on Saturday, January 14, 2006.

Mabel was born in Washington, D.C. to Roland Edgar Lee and Nora Nothey Lee on July 14, 1916. She married Donald Frank Kent of Grapeland, Texas May 4, 1935. She accompanied her husband, who was in the United States Navy, on tours of duty until his retirement in 1957. During her husband's naval career they lived in many places including Pearl Harbor, Hawaii at the beginning of WWII (she would tell friends and family about being able to see the faces of Japanese fighter pilots flying past her apartment's windows the morning of December 7, 1941) and London, England where she attended the coronation parade for Queen Elizabeth II. In addition, she and her hus-

band spent time in Guam, and Whidbey Island, Washington; Boston, Massachusetts and Washington, D.C. Mabel declined the opportunity to go with her husband on his journey to the South Pole in 1956.

In 1957, Mabel moved with her husband to Bakersfield, California where her husband began a civilian career. In 1979, Mabel moved to Kerrville, Texas with her husband to begin retirement living. She was a member of Zion Lutheran Church.

Preceding her in death was her husband, Donald Frank Kent, her brother, Roland Lee, Jr., her sisters, Anna Horton and Mildred Anderson.

Surviving are her daughter, Donna Shirley and husband, G.H. (Holly) Shirley of Kerrville; her sister, Elsie Mills Kuever of Adelphi, Maryland; grandsons, Don Blaine and wife, Charlene of Willow Springs, North Carolina and Bill Blaine of Austin, Texas.

Memorials may be made to Peterson Hospice, 1121 Broadway, Kerrville, Texas 78028 or Vista Care Hospice, 1001 Water Street, Ste B-100, Kerrville, Texas 78028 or a church of choice. The family invites you to send condolences at www.grimesfuneralchapels.com by selecting the "Send Condolences" link.