

MARGARET CARMA (BESSO) BURNS

Mrs. Margaret Carma (Besso) Burns, age 90, passed away Tuesday, May 4, 2010 at the East Texas Medical Center Hospital in Crockett, Texas. Mrs. Burns was born in Haverhill, Massachusetts, August 8, 1919, daughter of Rocco Joseph and Margaret Frances (Fanning) Besso. She had been a resident of the Bradford, Haverhill, and Plaistow area for 75 years.

In 1994, after the death of her husband, J.D. Burns, she moved to Texas to be with her son, Gary Burns. She attended public schools in Bradford and Haverhill, and was a graduate of Haverhill High School. She enjoyed planning the class reunions with the Class of '39 Reunion Committee and was the Treasurer for many years. She was member of the First Baptist Church of Plaistow and the Triangle Guild.

Mrs. Burns served on the Board of Directors for the Haverhill Girls Club in the 60's and 70's and actively participated in the Haverhill bi-centennial celebration in the 1970's. She was a member of the Haverhill Arts & Crafts Association and loved to tole paint the antiques refinished by her husband. She was very active at the First Baptist Church and enjoyed creating arts and crafts for their Holiday Fair.

Mrs. Burns loved her Club called the "Tuesday Nighters", which was attended by some of her dearest friends. She will be remembered by all for delivering her homemade custard when a friend was ill! Mom was a very kind and a very compassionate person, who unselfishly helped others throughout her life until her health prevented her from doing so. She loved her family, she was the most unselfish Mom, and will forever be remembered in our hearts.

Survivors include her son Gary A., of Latexo; two daughters Beverly A. (Mrs. Peter D.) Malley, of Kodiak, Ala. and Margaret A. (Mrs. Michael R.) Kilcoyne, of Kensington, N.H.; one brother Joseph Besso, of Largo, Fla.; five grandchildren J. Robert, John Rocco, and

Emily Caroline Burns, of Laxton, and twins Mary and Mariah Kilcoyne, of Kensington, N.H.; as well as many nieces and nephews.

Perceded in death by her beloved husband of 50 years, J.D. "Tex" Burns; sister Frances (Mrs. Ernast) Desmarais and Henry Vincent Besso; and beloved daughter-in-law Lori Ann McCurley Burns.

Funeral Services for Mrs. Margaret Carma (Besso) Burns will be held Wednesday, May 12, 2010 at 10:00 a.m., at the First Baptist Church of Plaistow, Main Street, Plaistow, N.H. Burial will be in Plaistow Cemetery, Plaistow, NH.

Condolences for Mrs. Burns may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com

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