



## Mary Alford Coleman

February 4, 1924 - September 21, 2012

Graveside services for Mary Alford Coleman, 88, of Henderson, will be at 2:30 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 25, 2012 at Lakewood Memorial Park with Rev. David Luckert officiating. Interment will follow under the direction of Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home of Henderson. In celebration of the life of Mary Alford Coleman a Memorial Service will be held on Wednesday, September 26, 2012 at University Park United Methodist Church at 11:00 A.M officiated by Reverend Matt Gaston and Dr. Rebecca Frank. Mary passed away quietly on Friday, September 21, 2012. She was born to Maude Elizabeth Woodyard and Egbert Benson Alford in Henderson, Texas on February 4, 1924, where she cherished her large extended family. She attended Hockaday School in Dallas before attending THE University of Texas where she graduated with a degree in Business. She met the love of her life, Gabe Coleman, on a blind date to the Texas/ A & M football game. While he finished his medical training they lived in Galveston, Texas, Indianapolis, Indiana, and Iowa City, Iowa Together they raised three children in San Angelo, Texas. Preceded in death by her husband, she is survived by her children Robert Benson Coleman of Midland, Texas, Mary Maude Coleman Tabor and her husband Mike of Dallas, and Thomas Gabriel Coleman, Jr. and his wife Lynne also of Dallas. She adored her grandchildren David Benson Tabor and his wife Jenny, Mary Elizabeth Tabor Vest and her husband Johnathan, Gabriel Benson Coleman, Caroline Virginia Coleman Brown and her husband Robin, Benson Marshall Coleman and Gabriel Thomas Coleman. However, the jewels in her crown are her six

precious great grandchildren Kate and William Tabor, Jon Harper and Virginia Vest, and Sonny and Coleman Brown. Her life was also filled with loving cousins, aunts, uncles and dear friends. Mary lived in San Angelo, Texas with her family for many years where she was a volunteer for the Shannon Hospital Auxiliary Group and attended First United Methodist Church of San Angelo. Mary and Gabe loved spending time with their bridge group and traveling. After Gabe's death, Mary moved to Dallas to be closer to her family. She attended University Park United Methodist church and enjoyed her time within the Edgemere community. While at the University of Texas, Mary was a Chi Omega and continued to be involved with the alum groups in both San Angelo and Dallas. After moving to Dallas she was able to reunite with many of her Chi Omega sisters. Mary's family is grateful for the exceptional love and compassion given to her by the nurses and staff of the Plaza at Edgemere. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to University Park United Methodist Church or the charity of your choice. Arrangements are by Sparkman Hillcrest and Crawford - A. Crim Funeral Home. Condolences may be made online at [www.crawfordacrim.com](http://www.crawfordacrim.com).