



Cleo Goldie

January 31, 2012

Cleo Elizabeth Goldie was born in Springfield, OH. At the age of three, she and her parents Grafton and Laura Belle Taylor Grafton, moved to Toledo, OH. An only child, she attended the Toledo Public Schools, graduating from Scott High School. She later earned her BA and MA Degrees in Early Childhood Education from the University of Toledo. She also earned two education specialist degrees and entered their doctoral program. Because of her high scholastic achievement, she was inducted into the National Honor Society, Kappa Delta Pi. In 1942, she married Frank C. Goldie. She and Frank nurtured a 70 year marriage with great love, mutual respect and support. They had one child Susan Watson.

Her career in early childhood education began at Hamilton (Leverette) Elementary School where she taught Kindergarten. She went on to become a supervisor with Toledo Head Start, Director of Lucas County Children's Services and as an Instructor and Advisor at Bowling Green State University in Early Childhood Development. After she and her husband Frank C. Goldie relocated to Chicago, IL she became Director of Head Start with the Department of Human Services. After retirement in 1990, she and her husband moved to Columbus, OH and in returned to Toledo, OH. During a time, when many women did not work, Cleo balanced career, marriage and family, and did it all, well. Cleo was an accomplished seamstress and made many of her daughter's clothes. She was also a trained musician. She had grace and style, and the sweetest of spirits. Her gentle kindness made her the

best wife, mother and teacher. Her husband adored her, as well as her family and students. She brought her admiration for education home to her daughter and made many life lessons, a part of her upbringing.

Cleo was a part of the civic and social scene in Toledo. She was a charter member of Toledo Jack and Jill, a charter member of Coterie, a member of the Charms, Inc and Toledo Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. She was also a faithful member of All Saints Episcopal Church. Cleo and Franks , traveled extensively throughout Europe, Asia, Africa and the Caribbean.

Cleo Goldie passed away January 31, 2012 at Hospice of Northwest Ohio- Detroit Avenue with Frank and Susan at her side. She leaves to cherish her memory, husband of 70 years, Frank C. Goldie, daughter Sharon Watson of Chicago, IL, aunt Kandice Kendall, nieces Beverly (Wayne) McKeller, Jessica McKeller, nephew Major John Reynolds, cousins Nicole Bishop, Karen Kendell , Mary Segur and special friend Marion Stokes.

Tribute Wall

CS

“ Sharon and Mr Goldie,I am so sorry to read about your lost. You have my heartfelt sympathy and condolence. I remember your close relationship with your mom and dad. Your parents like all parents wanted nothing but the best for you. I was your neighbor on Prospect Street,and schoolmate at Scott High School. You all are in my thoughts and prayers as you approach your first anniversary of the lost of your mother and wife.

Catherine Stinchcomb - January 06, 2013 at 07:14 PM

DS

“ "For what it is to die, but to stand in the sun and melt into the wind." In our breavement, I remember her quick wit, and joyous smile. In her I saw the blending of life, woods and meadows, streams and stars. We are with you. Nicole Kendall-Bishop and family

Dear Frank , Sharon - February 04, 2012 at 07:42 PM

MF

“ Dear Frank,I have spoken with you on the phone several times for Honor Flight. The last time we spoke, you had told me about your wife in Hospice. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time of sorrow. I read the obituary and it sounds like Cleo was a remarkable woman. Sincerely,Marti FrancoHonor Flight Northwest Ohio

Marti Franco - February 04, 2012 at 05:09 PM

KP

“ Dear Frank and family, All my prayers and with you during this time, may GOD bless you and keep you in this time. Your Friend Karen Pflager (house keeper from The Laurels)

Karen Pflager - February 04, 2012 at 01:23 PM

MS

“ Dear Aunt Cleo, you have been and will always be a model of the ideal woman, wife and professional career woman. Thank you for your love and kindness throughout my formative years. Sharon and Uncle Frank, may God Bless and keep you in this time of loss. Love Margo

Margo Richmond Smith - February 03, 2012 at 09:42 AM