

## Obituary for Faye Law Snidow



Faye Law Snidow died Friday, October 3, 2014. She was born in Charleston, Arkansas on May 7, 1921, to the late Mary Elizabeth and James Wythe Law. Faye was one of eight children, five sisters and two brothers, growing up during the Great Depression and WWII, events which greatly shaped her character and values. At the war's end, she met the love of her life, H.E. "Buck" Snidow and they were married at his home in Pembroke, Virginia on August 7, 1945.

The union produced two sons, Jerry in 1948 and Tom in 1950, who primarily grew up in the west Tennessee town of Paris, where the family became active members of the community and the First Presbyterian Church. She thoroughly enjoyed being a homemaker at her home facing Williams Lake, where she welcomed Buck home from work, ensured homework was completed, cheered

loudest at her sons' sporting events, visited frequently with neighbors, fried fish caught from the lake, and raised vegetables during the summer. She sent her sons off to college where both graduated from the University of Tennessee at Martin.

Faye and Buck moved to Abingdon, Virginia in 1968 and shortly took up residence at 132 Valley. Over the next 45 years, Abingdon was her home and a community she loved. She was a very active member of the Sinking Spring Presbyterian Church, a willing volunteer for charitable activities, an avid bridge player but just for fun, a regular participant in water aerobics at the Coomes Center even though she could not swim, and an always interested observer of the activities along Plumb Alley from her back deck. From these and other activities, she developed numerous and dear friendships, whose support was invaluable when she buried Buck in 1986 and Tom in 1997.

Faye will always be remembered for her strong faith in God, her abiding love of family and friends, her attention to the needs of others, her wonderful smile and sense of humor, her grace and her dignity. She is survived by her son, Jerry, and daughter-in-law, Robin, of Chapel Hill, North Carolina and two grandchildren, Ashton and David Brooks of Raleigh, North Carolina.

A memorial service will be held at Sinking Spring Presbyterian Church in Abingdon at 11 am on October 8, 2014 followed by a graveside service at Birchlawn Memorial Park in Pearisburg, Virginia. In lieu of flowers, charitable contributions can be made to the Ecumenical Faith in Action of Abingdon, a Christian mission outreach serving southwest Virginia, St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital in Memphis, or Habitat for Humanity in Washington County, Virginia. Frost Funeral Home in Abingdon is handling arrangements.