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Sara Boothe Carothers Woodruff Vance

AAFA #0740

Charter Member

March 14, 1911 – October 29, 2007

BATESVILLE -- Sara Boothe “Boozey” Carothers Woodruff Vance, 96, widower of John David “Dave” Vance and Lee T. “Cowboy” Woodruff, died, Monday, October 29, 2007, at Helena Regional Center in Helena, Ark.

Services were Thursday at First United Methodist Church. Rev. Ed Woodall and Rev. Carolyn Doering officiated. Burial was in Magnolia Cemetery. Dickins Funeral Home had charge.

Vance, born March 14, 1911, in Batesville to the late John Boothe and Leona Thomas Lewis Carothers, graduated from Batesville High School and attended MSCW (MUW).

In 1933 she married Lee Thornton “Cowboy” Woodruff of Batesville. He passed away in 1947. She married John David “Dave” Vance in 1957. In earlier years, she served as office manager for TVEPA. Later she worked in the cotton office of Anderson Clayton with her husband Dave Vance. She was a member of First United Methodist Church of Batesville. She served, as a Church treasurer for many years, was a church historian and a long time faithful member of the Truth Seekers Sunday School Class.

She was a member of James Gilliam Chapter of DAR, serving as a registrar, member of the Colonial Dames of 16th Century and the Court of Honor. She belonged to the Panola Historical and Genealogical Society and the Batesville Woman’s Club.

She had recently been living in Helena, Ark. where she attended Helena First United Methodist Church.

Survivors include: one daughter Bettye Woodruff Hendrix of Helena, Ark.; her step-daughter, Margaret O’Keefe of Batesville; one son, James Lee “Cowboy” Woodruff of Milton, Fla.; one sister, James Carothers Herron of Batesville; one brother Oliver Smylie Carothers of Batesville; eight grandchildren, Richard D. “Rick” Hendrix of Helena, Ark., Ronald L. “Ron” Hendrix of Madison, Lee Woodruff of Hattiesburg, Phillip B. Hendrix of Castle Rock, Colo. Sara W. Engle of Matthews, N.C., Ryan W. Whitehead of Ridgeland, Todd Mixon and Shoub Sumrall, both of Hattiesburg and 16 great-grandchildren and numerous step-grandchildren.

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Birth: 14 Mar 1911
Batesville, Panola, Mississippi, USA
Death: 29 Oct 2007 (aged 96)
Helena, Phillips, Arkansas, USA
Burial: Magnolia Cemetery
Batesville, Panola County, Mississippi, USA
Memorial ID: 121605563
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Family Members

- Parents
John Boothe Carothers, Sr., 1878-1925
Leona Thomas Lewis, 1883-1964
- Spouse
Lee Thornton Woodruff, 1910-1947
John David Vance, 1895-1970
- Siblings
James Lewis Carothers Herron, 1909-2010
Margaret See Carothers Harris, 1913-2003
John Boothe Carothers, Jr., 1914-1984
Nancy Ross Carothers Fontenot, 1920-2003
Oliver Smylie Carothers
- Children
James Lee Woodruff, 1938-2018
Bettye Woodruff Hendrix

Siblings



Baby John Booth
Girls (L to R)
Margaret, Sara, James

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