

# Mary Nezona Cotton Stanley



May 18, 1926 ~ February 14, 2021

Mary Nezona Cotton Stanley went to be with her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on Sunday, February 14, 2021 while a resident at Grace Nursing Home in Slaughter, Louisiana. She was born in Watson, Louisiana on May 18, 1926 and graduated from Live Oak High School. She took great pride in her work as a legal secretary.

Mary was ninety-four years young and the matriarch of our family. She was a loving sister, wife, mother, grandmother, and great grandmother. Mary was a kind and strong woman of immense faith, which she applied gracefully and with humility in her daily life. She dearly loved, and was dearly loved by, her family, friends, co-workers, and by all who knew her. She will be greatly missed.

Mary is survived by her son, David E. Stanley and his wife Debra Menzie Stanley, four grandchildren, Jack Brandon Stanley and his wife Elizabeth Sigafoose Stanley, Kristian Elise Friley and her husband Ryan Matthew Friley, Chase Alexander Stanley and his wife Jacqueline Holtz Stanley, and Lauren Mikel Stanley and her long-time boyfriend Sean Patrick Creel.

She is also survived by four great grandchildren, Ainsley Grace Ewing, John Davis Friley, Jack Alexander Friley, and Isabelle Kate Friley.

Mary is also survived by her sister, Elma Lea Cotton Hood.

Mary was preceded in death by her husband, Felix E. Stanley, her parents, Jesse T. Cotton and Sadie Mack Cotton, four sisters, Viola Cotton Lambert, Marie Cotton Stewart, Margaret Cotton Harrison, and Lola Cotton Edwards, and her brother, Jesse Thomas Cotton, Jr.

The family would like to extend special thanks to the nurses and staff at Grace Nursing Home, the doctors, nurses and staff at Baton Rouge General Hospital on Bluebonnet, and the nurses and staff of the Hospice of Baton Rouge for the loving care that they provided to her at the end of her life. Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, there will not be a public wake, funeral service or graveside service. The family may hold a memorial service at a later date. The family appreciates your

understanding and your continued prayers.