



Navlion F. West

December 24, 1921 - August 6, 2017

Navlion (Farmer) West passed away peacefully August 6, 2017 in Palm Harbor, Florida with her family by her side. Cherished mother and grandmother, her final words were ones of kindness and encouragement, delivered with love, gratitude and her signature humor. She was and will forever be in the loving embrace of her family and friends. Navlion was predeceased by John M. West, her husband of fifty-seven years. As John built his career, they lived in many parts of the country including Washington, Illinois, Florida and Connecticut. They welcomed two sons, James Cornel West in 1951 and Leonard Clark West in 1955. Navlion devoted most of her life to raising her family and to supporting her husband in pioneering adventures in science that earned him numerous patents and drew them to countries all over the world. Her international travel was, in many ways, the realization of a dream that she had as a young woman. As the airline industry was just beginning to expand, Navlion imagined herself a stewardess and hoped to travel the world. Unfortunately, her height (half an inch too short) kept her from the profession she envisioned, but her natural affinity for people and her strong administrative skills earned her several positions in the defense industry prior to her leaving the world of business to raise her family. Navlion was born December 24, 1921 in Stinnett, Kentucky to Will and Sallie Farmer. She and her dear sister June were the only daughters among ten children. Best friends throughout their lives, they spoke every day—laughing together as they shared funny moments and offering support as they discussed more challenging parts of their lives. Her brothers were beloved companions and the source of much joy. Navlion is survived by her sons, James Cornel West and his wife Palita of Florida and Nevada, and Leonard Clark West and his wife Pamela of Florida and Connecticut; her grandsons, Jonathan West of Illinois, and Steve and Andrew West of Connecticut; her sister, June (Farmer) Yates of South Carolina; and, her brothers, Ralph Farmer and his wife Jean of Oklahoma, Ward Farmer of Oklahoma, and Al Farmer and his wife Liz of New Mexico. Navlion was predeceased by her parents, Will and Sallie (Morgan) Farmer, and her brothers, Quention Farmer, Denton Farmer, Wallace Farmer, Troy Farmer and Tom Farmer. There will be a funeral service on Saturday, August 19, 2017 at 3:00 pm at Floral Haven, 6500 S. 129th E. Ave., Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, with a reception at the Floral Haven Family Center following the service. All are welcome. In lieu of flowers, donations

may be made to Suncoast Hospice, 2675 Tampa Road, Palm Harbor, Florida 34684 or to a charity of one's choice. A chapel service will be held Saturday, August 19, 2017, at 3:00 PM in the Floral Haven Funeral Home Chapel in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma. Interment will follow in the Floral Haven Memorial Gardens in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma.

Comments



“ I will always remember my dear Aunt Navlion. She was so caring and so much fun. She could put a funny twist on a simple story. I fondly recall visiting Uncle John and Aunt Navlion in Dunedin Florida for Christmas 1961. She took us to the white sand beaches and for submarine sandwiches which we “Okies” had never heard of at that time. She taught my sister and I how to play bridge and gave us our first ever deck of cards. We played bridge all the way home. My parents didn’t normally allow cards or card games but they had so much respect for Aunt Navlion they didn’t say a word. I will miss her talking with her.

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