



Mabel Skinner Slay

August 14, 1912 - March 19, 2010

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Mrs. Mabel Skinner Slay, aged 97, died in her sleep at her home in Waterproof, Louisiana, on March 19, 2010.

Mrs. Slay was born on August 14, 1912, at Newellton, Louisiana. When she was about four years old, her family moved to St. Joseph, Louisiana, where she grew up and graduated from high school. She received her bachelor's degree from L.S.U. and returned to St. Joseph to teach Latin and mathematics at Davidson High School, for the next eleven years.

When her husband returned from World War II service, they lived in Monroe about fifty years. Twenty-one of those years, Mrs. Slay taught mathematics, at the forerunner of the University of Louisiana at Monroe, retiring with the rank of associate professor. She received her Masters degree from Peabody College (now a part of Vanderbilt University) with additional work at the University of Colorado and the University of Mississippi.

In 1994, Mr. and Mrs. Slay returned to Tensas Parish to live close to her family on the Burn Plantation. She was a lifelong Presbyterian, but the last years of her life she was a part of Grace Episcopal Church in Waterproof, Louisiana. Her parents, Fred and Vera Johnston Skinner, predeceased her as also did her husband of nearly fifty-eight years, Daniel William Slay, and her brother-in-law, George Carneal Goldman.

She is survived by her sister, Vera Skinner Goldman, of Burn Plantation,

Waterproof, Louisiana, and her two nieces, Elizabeth Spencer Goldman, of Franklin, Tennessee, and Katherine Goldman Vaughan and her husband Earl Vaughan, of Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

The graveside funeral service will be held at Natchez City Cemetery at 10:00 am, on Monday, March 22, 2010, with the Reverend Bob Cooper officiating. Memorials may be made to Palmer Children's Home, 912 S. 11th Avenue, Columbus, Mississippi, 39701, the Louisiana Salvation Army, 105 Hart Street, Monroe, Louisiana, 71203, or a charity of your choice.

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“ Dear Mrs. Goldman,
I was a neighbor of your sister and her husband when they lived on Maywood Dr. in Monroe. They were both such delightful people. I missed them when they moved, but I know they loved living so near you. Mabel was always so cheerful. I enjoyed visiting with her. I know you will miss her very much. May our Lord be your comfort & strength. In His love, Dale Dimos
"The eternal God is your refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms." Deut. 33:27.

Dale Dimos - March 23, 2010 at 12:00 AM