



Lucretia LaDelle Ross

September 15, 1923 - September 9, 2016

Lucretia LaDelle Ross died peacefully in her home in Dallas on September 9, 2016. LaDelle was born in Lometa, Texas on September 15, 1923. She attended Hardin Simmons University in Abilene, and at that time, she was more interested in pursuing her pilot's license than her diploma. LaDelle completed her solo flight in a single engine prop plane before her father found out and made her quit! She then moved to Dallas in 1945 to work with her sister, Rita Fleming, at Neiman Marcus. A blind date with Ralph Ross in 1951 led to 55 years of marriage until he died in 2005. LaDelle was the life of every party and possessed a wonderful sense of humor. She loved to travel and one of her favorite destinations was Sea Island, Georgia, where she and Ralph honeymooned. LaDelle continued the tradition by taking her extended family every summer. She was a long time member of the Dallas Country Club and a member of the Saint Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church where she served on their school board. She is survived by her three children: William Ross and his wife, Carol, Ralph

Ross and his wife Mary, Rita Davis and her husband, Dick. She is also survived by seven grandchildren and six great grandchildren who will lovingly remember her as "Big Mama." The family would like to especially thank her wonderful neighbors and caregivers over the past several years: Linda Olvera, Luz Salinas and Gabby Garcia. A Memorial service will be held at Saint Michael and All Angels Chapel on Tuesday, September 13th, at 11:00 am. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Center for Brain Health, 2200 W. Mockingbird Lane, Dallas, Texas 75235.