



Lorraine Alberta Johnson

September 26, 1920 - October 7, 2017

Lorraine Alberta Johnson, 97, of St. James passed away Saturday, October 7, 2017, at the SECU Hospice House of Brunswick in Bolivia, NC.

Lorraine was born September 26, 1920, in Augusta, Maine, to the late Leroy Rowell and Maude Loomer Rowell. She has the distinction of being the first graduating class of the School of Nursing at the University of Maine. As a Lieutenant in the U. S. Navy during World War II she met her future husband Jean. Together they built a home, raised four children, and summered in Maine for over 50 years.

Lorraine was always a much admired member of her community. She lived her life with the same sense of duty, compassion and service that she embodied as a nurse during war time. Her love for things beautiful, books, art, music, hand crafts, people, children, dogs and nature filled her spirit and delighted her.

Lorraine continued to volunteer in some capacity almost every day of her life, even in her final year she could be found at the Habitat Restore in Southport. Her extraordinary strengths and her humble demeanor made her an admired friend and role model. Having touched many lives, she leaves a beautiful legacy to those who knew and loved her. She is survived by her four children, Cris, Cynthia, Lynn, and Virginia, as well as thirteen grandchildren and several

great-grandchildren.

In her memory, we will live as she lived.

In lieu of flowers contributions may be made to Lower Cape Fear Hospice, 1414 Physicians Dr. Unit 1, Wilmington, NC 28401, or Brunswick County Habitat for Humanity 4578 Long Beach Rd. SE, Southport, NC 28461.

Arrangements are in the care of Coastal Cremations, Carolina Shores, NC.