



Delia Marie Sparks

October 5, 1912 - November 28, 2010

After a long and love-filled life of 98 years, Delia M. Sparks, beloved mother, grandmother, and aunt, went peacefully to the Lord on Sunday, November 28, 2010. Delia was born in San Antonio, Texas, on October 5, 1912, to Frank and Eulogia Arbuckle. Delia grew up in a military family with six siblings who loved and respected the life that the military afforded. Delia married George W. Sparks and lived the life of a military wife. After George's death in 1957, Delia was fortunate to find the love and companionship of Robert Loyd Winder. In addition to George, Delia was preceded in death by her parents, Loyd, her six siblings and her two children, Gene W. Sparks and Jane E. Slaughter. Delia is survived by son Jerry Sparks and his wife Daniella; daughter Joan Wilson and her husband Ron; son-in-law A.L. Slaughter; and daughters-in-law Dee Sparks Bennett, Louise Sepulveda, and Nora Brandon. She is survived by 10 grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren, 1 great-great-grandchild and many other cherished friends and relatives. The family wishes to express their sincere appreciation to Olivia Franklin for her loving and devoted care of Mrs. Sparks. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the American Cancer Society.