

Eleanor Read D'Antoni

Eleanor "Ellie" D'Antoni, 82, died Wednesday June 14, 2006 in Dallas, Texas. She was born July 24, 1923 in Colony, Oklahoma. She grew up on a church-owned mission in Oklahoma where her father was a home-missionary to the native born American Indians. A long time resident of Pass Christian, Ellie and her husband Dan had retired to the Gulf Coast from New Orleans in 1973. She moved to Dallas in March of 2005, six months prior to Hurricane Katrina. Ellie and Dan were active members of First Presbyterian Church of Bay St. Louis, the Pass Christian Golf Club and the Pass Christian Yacht Club. Ellie loved to play golf and sing. She had been an active member of her church choir and a local acappella group.

Ellie was preceded in death by two husbands Pete Rogers and E.S. "Dan" D'Antoni, her parents, Katherine Wauchope Read and Rev. John Leighton Read, two sisters Mary Saunders and Katherine Ann Hughes. She is survived by her sister Betty Read Dillion, of Westminster Colorado, her brother John Leighton Read of Palo Alto, California; four sons, William (Bill) D'Antoni of Houma, Louisiana, Richard R. D'Antoni of Dallas, Texas, Mark S. D'Antoni of Vancouver, British Columbia, and Wayne L. D'Antoni of Fort Collins, Colorado; eight grandchildren and one great grandchild. A memorial service will be held Monday June 19, 2006 at 2 PM at the First Presbyterian Church in Bay St. Louis.

Ellie loved the Lord and we take great comfort in knowing that she is home with him now. In lieu of flowers the family request memorial donations be given to the First Presbyterian Church of Bay St. Louis, 114 Ulman Ave. Bay St. Louis, Mississippi 39520. First Presbyterian also serves as a Hurricane Katrina Relief Center.