



Josephine Houston Cleveland

December 15, 1954 - December 15, 2016

Josephine Houston Cleveland, affectionately known as "Jo" by her friends, died on December 15, 2016. She was 95 years old. She was predeceased by her parents, Elizabeth Maddux and Charles Henry Cleveland; and her brother, Charles Alexander Cleveland. She is survived by her dear friend of over fifty years, Ethel Gibson; as well as Kathy Wales, Jennifer Wales, and Jeff Wales (Mary Brice). Jo was a secretary all of her working life and her last employer was Dunn Construction Company. She retired at age 62 so that she could pay her "civic rent". She volunteered at Ronald McDonald House, Financial Office of FUMC and St. Vincent's - Birmingham Auxiliary. Her last role with St. Vincent's was Chair of Art Gallery. Services will be graveside Monday, December 19, 2016 at 11:00 a.m. at Elmwood Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to First Church, 518 19th Street North, Birmingham, AL 35203. Online condolences may be sent to www.bessemerbrownfh.com.