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Funeral services for Catherine Stracner Prothro, 88, of DeRidder, LA, will be held at 11 A.M., Tuesday, December 1, 2009, at Labby Memorial Funeral Home Chapel in DeRidder, with Rev. Tim Bergen officiating. Burial will follow in Lewis Cemetery under the direction of Labby Memorial Funeral Home in DeRidder. Visitation will be from 4 P.M. until 9 P.M., Monday, November 30, 2009, and from 9 A.M. until time of the service, Tuesday, December 1, 2009, in the funeral home. Catherine passed away peacefully at home Saturday, November 28, 2009, after a full and rich life.

Catherine was one of eight daughters born to Beulah and B K Stracner, in DeRidder, on July 18, 1921. She is survived by her treasured daughter, Sari Keitha and her husband Mik Kushner of Panama City, Panama. She is also survived by two sisters, Nickie Sue Arabie of DeRidder, and Yda Beulah Leger of Moss Bluff, LA, and step-sister, Shirley Kay Duhon of Lake Charles. She will also forever be remembered by caring daughter-in-law, Beverly Prothro, and grandchildren, Phyllis Snell, Vickie Prothro, Jay Prothro, and son-in-law, David Snell, and great granddaughter, Elizabeth Snell. She will also be remembered by her many nephews, nieces and friends.

With the passing of her beloved husband, Fred Prothro, she became an accountant. After rearing her three children, she pursued a college degree at McNeese State University, receiving a bachelor's degree in English in 1970. Over the span of several years, she continued to attend classes, obtaining a master's degree while teaching for Louisiana Public Schools. She later taught English as a second language in Brazil and Greece and she cherished her friendships from abroad.

In her seventies, she embarked on a new adventure, she was accepted into the Peace Corps and served in the Soloman Islands. After returning home from the Pacific island, she volunteered with the Literacy Council in Lake Charles and was a member



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of Trinity Episcopal Church in DeRidder. She was preceded in death by her husband, sons John Prothro and Fred "Boo" Blakley, Jr.

The family requests donations be made to the Multiple Sclerosis Society.



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