



Ross Mitchell

Marguriete Ross Mitchell, 90, of Fredericksburg passed away at Mary Washington Hospital on Wednesday, Jan. 9, 2012.

She grew up on a peninsula called Tetotum in a secluded area of King George County, bounded by the Upper Machodoc Creek.

During World War II, she was the first woman to work at the Naval Proving Ground in Dahlgren (now Naval Surface Weapons Center) as a lookout, testing and proofing naval guns, ammunition and other ordnance material used in combat on naval warships.

She fired naval guns of all sizes, all the way up to the 16-inch. She once even fired the 18-inch, the largest naval gun ever built for a ship.

She later worked for Nichols department store as a night bookkeeper for more than 20 years. She was a member of Fredericksburg Baptist Church, Frances Hudgins Mission Group, Calvary-Perry Bible Class and the Fredericksburg Baptist Church Senior Citizens Group.

She is survived by two daughters, Marie N. A. Mitchell of Fredericksburg and Diane Zamora of California; two granddaughters, Dora Wood and Maria Hunt; and three great-granddaughters, Nicole and Kristin Wood and Emma Hunt.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 53 years, James Edward Mitchell; parents Dora Elizabeth Lewis and John Wesley Elliott; three brothers, Willard, Samuel and Elmer Elliott; and a sister, Annie Green.

A graveside service will be held at Oakland Baptist Church cemetery, 5520 James Madison Parkway, King George, at 2 p.m. Monday, Jan. 14, with a memorial service to follow at 3:30 p.m. at Fredericksburg Baptist Church.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made in her name to Fredericksburg Baptist Church, Building Upon our Heritage Fund, 1019 Princess Anne St., Fredericksburg, Va. 22401.

Online condolences may be sent at mullinsthompson.fredericksburg.com.



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