

Nell Martin Bradley was born in Greenville, S.C., on Feb. 5, 1926, and passed away on Jan. 5, 2017, in Hot Springs.

At the time of her passing, Nell had been a 45-year resident of Hot Springs and previously resided in Alma. She graduated from high school in Greenville, S.C., and continued her education at Alabama Polytechnic Institute, now known as Auburn University, where she was a member of Chi Omega and received her Bachelor of Science degree in foods and nutrition.

After college, she worked in support of the World War II effort in various ways like many other young ladies of that time.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Haskell H. Martin Sr. and Carobel Cooley Martin; two brothers, Haskell H. Martin Jr. and Pete Martin; her husband, Henry J. Bradley Jr. (Jim); and her son, Henry J. Bradley III.

In her early career, she and her husband were owners, editors and publishers of weekly newspapers in Arizona and she continued and ended her newspaper career as the editor and publisher of the *Alma News Herald* in Alma, spending countless hours on the linotype and hand feeding printing material in the old letter-press printing equipment while tending to her children, including her youngest daughter in a play pen beside the linotype.

Following a move to Hot Springs in 1971, she served for 25 years as the director of Food Services for Levi Hospital. At Levi, she managed two different food services and was especially proud of her Orthodox Kosher food service. She and the success of her Kosher service were recognized in a feature by CNN. Nell was also a member and elder of the First Presbyterian Church in Hot Springs and the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Nell is survived by one son, Merrill "Punky" Bradley and his wife, Rhonda, of Alma; three daughters, Caroline Garrett and husband, Rick, of Rudy, Cornelia Bradley, of Hot Springs, Faustina Bradley, of Hot Springs; one brother, Emory Martin and Mary, of Greenwood, S.C.; seven grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren and a number of nieces and nephews.