

Marie W. Dodd



Marie W. Dodd retired in 1995 as a member of the Board of Directors and Vice President of Ivan Allen Company in Atlanta. She was one of Atlanta's influential and respected community leaders for more than three decades serving organizations such as the Atlanta Rotary Club, Atlanta History Center, American Red Cross, Metropolitan Atlanta Community Foundation, The United Way of Metro Atlanta, Emory University and Georgia State University to name a few. Appointed by then-mayor Maynard Jackson, Mrs. Dodd served on the Corporation for the Olympic Development of Atlanta. State-wide, and by gubernatorial appointment, she served two terms on the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia, as first woman . . . and then as first women to chair this board in 1981-82. A respected leader in the office products industry, she served on the board of directors and as chairman of the industry's international association with more than 20 thousand members from the U.S. Canada, Europe and Asia. Mrs. Dodd received numerous awards for her leadership and contributions to the city she so loved, none more important than the highest award in Girl Scouts, the "Thanks" Badge. After her move to St. Simons Island, her adopted coastal community became the beneficiary of her considerable talents. She is an active member and past president of the Coastal Georgia Historical Society and co-chaired the campaign that resulted in the new A. W. Jones Heritage Center. She has been an active Rotarian (again first woman) for more than 25 years and has served in every office at the club level including President and held several positions at the district level. Mrs. Dodd is past chairman of the Glynn County Airport Commission and to served two four-year terms on the commission which is responsible for both the commercial airport in Brunswick and the general aviation airport, McKinnon, on St. Simons Island. Based on her experience as a Regent of the University System of Georgia, she has joined the College of Coastal Georgia in support of its exciting potential in Glynn County and southeast Georgia. She serves on the Board of Trustees of the CCGA Foundation. She is past president and still an ardent member of the Cassina Garden Club. Reared in Atlanta, Mrs. Dodd attended public schools in Atlanta, Georgia State University and the Atlanta College of Art. She was married to James L. Dodd, Jr., who is deceased. She has two daughters and four grandchildren.