

## Felice Alexandria Bews

**DURHAM** – Felice Alexandria Bews was born in January 2, 1920 in El Paso TX, the only child of Edmon-



son B. and Ruby Link. She died on February 27, 2007 in Los Angeles, CA.

She is survived by her three sons, David, Alan, and John; eight grandchildren, Alec, Sara, Devin, Zoe, Alison, Emily, Sofia, and Nicholas.

Felice grew up as an only child in El Paso, TX. She attended Texas College of Mines and Metallurgy (now UTEP), and graduated in June of 1940 with a degree in History and a minor in Spanish. She took a job in Juarez and later Durango, Mexico working for the US State Department. After three years work in Mexico, she was transferred first to Washington DC, and then Amsterdam and London, where she worked in the American Consulate and Embassy. There she met her future husband Alistair, who was a Captain in the British Army. After further State Department stints in Madrid and Paris, she returned to El Paso in 1948 and married Alistair. They moved briefly to Carlsbad, New Mexico and back to El Paso, and in 1957 the family moved to Phoenix, AZ.

After Felice and Alistair divorced in 1962, Felice worked part time in a Phoenix Public Library, while she returned to school to get her Masters degree in Library Science. She worked for a number of years for the Phoenix Library System, and later was the librarian for Girard Catholic High School. She and Alistair remarried in 1968, and divorced again in 1974. Felice was active in the League of Women Voters and Common Cause in Phoenix, and an active participant in the Choir and other activities at St. Stevens Episcopal Church. Felice traveled several times to Europe during this period of her life.

Felice moved to live with her eldest son David and his family in Chapel Hill in 1995. There she became an active member in the Community Church of Chapel Hill and the North Carolina League of Women Voters. She brought her great love of books and reading to her granddaughter Zoe.

In 2001, Felice moved to live with her second son Alan and his family in Los Angeles, CA. She became very close to Alan, his two daughters, and Alan's wife Judy.

Felice lived a full life of service to her family and her community. She loved to travel, loved to read, and brought her joy of learning about new things to others. Mostly she loved her family. She is missed by the ones left behind, but her memory shines brightly for us who knew and loved her.

There will be a memorial service held for her on Saturday, March 31, 2007 at 4:00 p.m. at the Outdoor Chapel at the Community Church of Chapel Hill, 106 Purefoy Road, Chapel Hill, NC.