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Jane Skiles McNutt passed away peacefully on April 28th, 2011 after a brief illness. She was born in 1913, in Aubrey, Texas, to her beloved parents, Pearl Wilkins Skiles and Charles Skiles. She was actively playing duplicate bridge, seeing friends and gardening until she was suddenly debilitated by her illness. She looked beautiful, kept her great sense of humor and participated in life to the end. Her great passions were her family, friends, her beloved pets and her lovely garden. She appreciated all things beautiful, especially in nature and particularly enjoyed her flowers and greenery. She was generous, gracious, fiercely loyal and independent. She will be remembered for her elegant beauty, engaging presence and strong personality, that had a way of touching everyone with humor and charm. These qualities combined with a Texas pioneer spirit saw her through life. She was a member of St Marks Methodist Church and Western Hills Methodist Church. Jane was preceded in death by her husband of 49 Years, C. Blaine McNutt; Grandsons, George H Barnett III, Daniel D Barnett and Romaine Barnett; and her sister, Lois Skiles Craven. She is survived by her loving daughters, Stormy McNutt Hull and her husband, David C. Hull and Linda Blaine Barnett and her husband, George Barnett, jr.; and her devoted son C. Blaine McNutt, Jr .and his wife, Lila McNutt. Her grandchildren are Blaine Elizabeth Hull, Kathryn Hull Ladin, C. Blaine McNutt III, Jane Barnett Hildebrand, Lois A. Barnett, Dixie Barnett Blackburn, Sally Barnett Campbell, and Buckley Barnett. Great grandchildren are Robert A Hildebrand, Marie L. Hildebrand, Nicholas C. Kovacevich, Laura Kovacevich Delis, Mary Jane Blackburn, Kelly M. Barnett, Jonathan B. Campbell, and Mary Kate Campbell. Jane was born and grew up on a Ranch in North Texas, in a time that encompassed both the first World War and the Great Depression. She was educated in a one room school house and went to Texas Teachers' college in Denton. Health issues dictated a move to El Paso in 1939, and she was married to Blaine McNutt in October 1940. A match she describes as the "love of my life". There is no doubt that Jane's priority was always her family, and her dedication to them never wavered. Jane began her residential Real Estate career in the mid 1960's. She was associated with Holder and Co. for over 20 years and she often described that period as one of the happiest of her life. The opportunity to meet new people and professionally serve them was fulfilling and challenging to her.. She considered finding a family their home a most important priority and a privilege. Jane was a marvelous cook, an entertaining friend, excellent bridge player and wit. She will be missed by all that knew and loved her. Throughout her life she fought for the underprivileged and worked tirelessly for individuals in order to improve their lives. She championed them in finding affordable housing, legal representation documentation and obtaining long term employment. She was a source of encouragement, strength and support to those who needed help. Jane was a member of the Women's Club of El Paso, the Providence Memorial Hospital Volunteers, the El Paso Library, the Real Estate Association, and the El Paso Country Club. With gratitude, we thank Monte Vista Nursing Facility, the 300 unit, for providing and loving and professional care in her last month. We also extend our deepest gratitude to Hospice for providing comforting care, and for counseling the family during this difficult time. Special thanks goes to Kathleen Myers for her unprecedented attention and concern. A Memorial Service will be celebrated at Martin Funeral Home, 128 N. Resler, at 1pm., May 12th. Following the service, a reception for family and friends will be held at El Paso Country Club. In lieu of Flowers, the family requests donations be directed to the Humane Society of El Paso, and the American Heart Association. Services entrusted to Martin Funeral Home West, 128 N. Resler Dr., El Paso, Texas 79912. www.MartinFuneralHomeWest.com

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