



## Laura Racke

December 18, 1926 - December 12, 2016

Laura E. Racke, of Burlington, Surrounded by her children, just a few days before her 90th birthday, our precious mother Laura Ellis Racke went to be with her Savior on Monday evening December 12th. Laura was born on December 18, 1926 to Clyde and Isa Morton in Bowen, KY. As a young teenager, Laura made life's most important decision as she chose to accept Christ as her Savior and Lord. Mother's life is a testimony of her faith and trust in God. Laura married Walter C. Racke on July 3, 1943 and lived as pastor's wife for a number of years. Walter and Laura were blessed with four children: Nancy Klingler (Larry) of Spokane, WA; Mary Ann Weaver (Joel) of Nairobi, Kenya; James Allen Racke (Shirley) of Burlington, NC and she was preceded in death by Charles David Racke. In 1978, Walter and Laura moved from Dayton, Ohio where Laura had taught school and earned a BS from Miami University and a masters in guidance and counselling from Wright State University. She was also an active member of Christian Tabernacle. In Burlington NC, Laura taught at Alamance Christian School in Graham NC for 13 years. She was also an active member of Beacon Baptist Church. After retiring in 1991, she enjoyed reading, quilting, cooking, entertaining friends and family. Walter died in 2005 celebrating a marriage of 61 years prior to his death. Laura leaves behind her three children, two sons-in-law, one daughter-in-law, one sister- Emily Eberwine, eleven grandchildren and 27 great grandchildren. The family welcomes friends to visit them at Rich & Thompson Funeral Service in Burlington, Thursday, December 15 from 5:30 pm. - 8:00 pm. The funeral service will be held at 2 pm on Friday December 16th at Beacon Baptist Church in Burlington, NC. The burial will follow on Sunday, December 18th at 1 pm at the Stanton Cemetery, Stanton, Kentucky. Davis & Davis Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.