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### **Boyle, Elizabeth Ragland**

Tom Austin sent us this note of Mrs. Boyle's passing. Always pleasant to talk with, I do remember visiting the cottage late on summer night when she had called, reporting Mr. Boyle had just passed. I trust we were of some comfort then. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family now.

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Elizabeth Ragland Boyle, Passed away peacefully at her home on Friday, March 23 at age 94. She had been a lifelong resident of Memphis. Elizabeth Boyle was the daughter of Elinor Cary and Samuel Evan Ragland. Mr. Ragland was the former president and chairman of the First National Bank. Elizabeth was a devoted mother of three children, six grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren. She was active in civic and community affairs over many decades. She was a member of the Memphis Garden Club, the Junior League of Memphis, and served on the board of the Mary Galloway Home. She was an active and dedicated parishioner of St. John's Episcopal Church where she taught Sunday school classes for over thirty years. She was a founder and board member of the Memphis Area Food Bank and gave support to numerous area philanthropies including the Church Health Center, MIFA, and the Children's Museum. Elizabeth was a loving wife and mother and was a support system and lifeline for many relatives and friends. Her interest in and love for people, fun, and entertaining was infectious. She loved a good party. Elizabeth Ragland was educated at the Hutchison School and Bennett College in Millbrook, N.Y. where she was the recipient of Bennett's highest award. Her late husband, J. Bayard Boyle, founder of the Boyle Company, passed away in 1995. Her three children are J. Bayard Boyle, Jr. of Memphis, Elizabeth Roberts Boyle of Chevy Chase, MD and Snowden Boyle Morgan, also of Memphis. The service will be held Monday, March 26<sup>th</sup> at 11 a.m. at St. John's Episcopal Church at Central and Greer with private burial in Forest Hill Cemetery Midtown. A reception for the family and friends will be held in the Parish Hall after the service. In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials may be sent to the Charity of the donor's choice. Canale Funeral Directors 901-452-6400