



Elaine McKee Chaignaud

September 16, 1928 - December 18, 2021

Elaine McKee Chaignaud passed away on Saturday, December 18, 2021 surrounded by her family. She was born on September 16, 1928 to Ernest Dewey McKee and Nancy Ellen Pittman McKee.

Elaine is survived by her husband of 73 years, John Edward Chaignaud; daughters, Renée Chaignaud Burford (Joe) and Anne Chaignaud Cowger (David); grandchildren, Jeff Burford (Jacquelyn), Brian Burford, John Burford (Casey), Katherine Cowger, Sean Cowger and Chris Cowger; and great-grandchildren, Benjamin Burford, Natalie Burford, William Burford and Lilly Grant.

Elaine is preceded in death by her parents; daughter, Dr. Beverly Ellen Chaignaud; sister, Mary Frances Cuny; and brother, Ernest Stewart McKee.

Elaine and her husband were married on Valentine's Day 1948 in Folsom, LA. They moved to New Orleans in 1957 where they spent many happy years raising their three girls and working side by side in the family business. In later years, they moved to Lacombe, LA and were active parishioners of St. John of the Cross Catholic Church.

Elaine cherished her family and friends. She spent a lifetime serving God and others with kindness, humility, and gentle love.

A Mass of Christian burial was celebrated at St. John of the Cross Catholic Church followed by internment in St. Joseph Abbey Cemetery. E. J. Fielding Funeral Home has been entrusted with the arrangements. The family invites you to share thoughts, fond memories, and condolences online at E. J. Fielding Funeral Home Guest Book at www.ejfieldingfh.com.

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“ *What a beautiful lady...I always looked up to her as did many others from Folsom. I regret not going to visit her in recent years when I was in Louisiana.*

I noticed that Elaine and Ed's wedding was mentioned in her obituary. Judy Wascom Loyde and I were in their wedding.in the original Baptist Church of Folsom. Judy and I were 5 years old. We were flower girls. Judy and I wore pink (Judy) and blue (me) organdy dresses. It was a very cold evening. Our mothers, Ola Wascom and Mary Ellen Armitage, had us wear flannel pajama bottoms under our dresses because it was so cold. I am sure the church was probably only heated with space heaters at that time also. I have pictures of Judy and me in our wedding dresses and our "handmade" bouquets of pink perfection camellia bouquets, probably made by my great aunt, Mae Magee, wife of Price Magee. She was the "floral designer" of the era in small town Folsom. The wedding was quite the occasion in Folsom.

My deepest sympathies to Elaine's family and especially to Ed.

Love,

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