

Elizabeth M. Godwin

February 6, 1997

Elizabeth Merrell Godwin, 87, died Thursday February 6, 1997 in Northampton Convalescent Center. She was a native of Newport News.

Miss Godwin was a graduate of Mary Washington College and Columbia University. She taught in the Newport News and California school systems, retiring in 1971. She was a member of First United Methodist Church and had formerly been an active member of Providence United Methodist Church in York County. She was a member of the Huguenot Society, Jamestown Society, Comte de Grasse Chapter DAR, Colonial Dames, United Daughters of the Confederacy, the Woman's Club of Newport News, and the American Association of University Women.

Survivors include two sisters, Mrs. A. Leonard Shield and Miss Ruth V. Godwin, both of Newport News; nieces and nephews, Asa L. Shield Jr., Samuel C. Shield, James H. Godwin Jr., Susan Godwin Coffman, Ruth Godwin Davis, and Sarah Godwin McNamara; and great-nieces and nephews, Dr. Stephen W. Shield, Virginia Shield Pritchett, Allison Shield, Brian Shield, James H. Godwin III, Nan D. Godwin, and Jessica and Whitney McNamara.

The family will receive friends Friday from 3:30 – 5:30 pm at the residence of her sister, Mrs. Shield. A graveside service will be held 9:30 am Saturday in the Peninsula Memorial Park by the Rev. Roy Miller.