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ARRANGEMENTS: FAMILY VISITATION, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 30, 2023, 10 AM-12 PM WITH MEMORIAL SERVICE TO FOLLOW AT 12PM AT MT. CALVARY MADISON, 1238 BRIARVILLE ROAD, MADISON, TENNESSEE 37115.

IN LIEU OF FLOWERS, FAMILY REQUESTED DONATIONS BE MADE TO: https://www.theverandaministries.org/donate.html, 615-675-4345.

Jane Kathryn Thomas Ligon was born May 21, 1940 in Robertson County to the late Charles and Katie Thomas.

Jane accepted Christ at an early age and remained a faithful member of Banks Chapel United Methodist Church. She served on many committees and was the head of the kitchen staff for many years.

She graduated in 1958 from Bransford High School and then attended Tennessee A & I State University until her grandfather's health declined and she returned home to him. She was employed with Robertson County Schools for over 50 years. She served under all administrators at Bransford Elementary School until her move to the Board of Education from which she retired. She was an active RCEA, TEA and NEA member. She served on the Executive Board for RCEA and on both the TEA and NEA Board of Directors. Her NEA seat was an at large seat representing ESPs across the entire United States. Ms. Jane won distinguished ESP for the State of Tennessee. She was a tireless advocate for students, educators, and public education. Her motto was "Each One Reach One" and she truly believed that and worked toward that. In addition to her work with the Education Associations, she was on the first Convention Committee in 1985 of The Bransford Alumni Association. She also served as secretary and treasurer from 1980 until 2010 and continued as treasury until 2020. She truly loved Bransford Alumni Association

Jane served on a host of committees in the Springfield and Robertson County areas

including the Gorham McBane Library Board, The Better Home and Garden Club and many others .

Jane was a person who never met a stranger and was always willing and ready to help in any capacity she could. She always tried to encourage others and truly believed in you. She loved her family dearly as she always talked about them.

She was preceded in death by sisters, Shirley Smith, Saundra Gould and Eleanor LaPrade Dartis; Brothers, Joe C. Thomas, John Ed Woodson and James T. LaPrade.

She leaves to cherish her precious memories: husband, Horace Ligon; Devoted Daughter, Laconya (Jonathan) Vaden; two devoted grandchildren, Jonathan II and Kyla Vaden; Sisters, Laura LaPrade Davis, Colista (Jerry) LaPrade Lanier; Devoted cousin, Thelmus Davis; sistersin-law, Francine LaPrade, Shareefah Woodson; a host of loving nieces, nephews, great nieces and nephews and many, many friends and coworkers.