

Mary Catherine Routon Burton

BORN: JULY 7, 1904 (?)

DIED: MAY 29, 1995

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Memorial services for native Parisian Catherine Routon Burton were held Wednesday, at Sequoyah Presbyterian Church in Knoxville,

where she was a long time member.

Mann's Heritage Chapel Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Burton died Monday, May 29, 1995, in Knoxville.

The daughter of the late Stephen

James Routon and Pearl Routon, she was the widow of Ray B. Burton.

A 1922 graduate of Grove High School, she received degrees from George Peabody College in Nashville and the University of Iowa in Ames, where her thesis in home economics was used as a text book.

She taught home economics at Union University and in the 1930's and

40's and at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville. She was an active friend and advisor of Chi Omega sorority for more than 50 years, serving the organization as a national officer. In 1983, Pi Chapter of Chi Omega established an ongoing scholarship in her honor.

She was eulogized by Chi Omega

national president Melanie Shain at her memorial service.

She also was former commissioner of the Girl Scouts of Knoxville.

She is survived by three brothers,
Jim and Joe Routon of Paris and Bill Routon of New Smyrna Beach, Fla.; seven grandchildren; and five
great-grandchildren.

A son, Ray B. Burton Jr., also preceded her in death.