Jeanne Adams Dean

JEANNE ADAMS DEAN, age 80, of Houston, passed away on Wednesday, the 19th of November 2008. She was born on the 19th of February 1928, in Minneapolis, Minnesota, to Stewart and Myrtle Adams. Jeanne was a loving and devoted wife, mother, grandmother and friend who will be greatly missed by those who loved her, and those whose lives she touched. She was preceded in death by her parents and sister, the late Carole Seddon, of Calgary, Alberta, Canada. She is survived by her husband of 57 years, Henry Clay Dean III; son, Clay Dean and wife, Sue of Muscoda, WI; son, Michael Dean and wife, Diane of Houston, TX; grandchildren, Sarah Dean of Minneapolis, MN, Clay Dean and wife, Cortney of Madison, WI, Collin Dean of Muscoda, WI.; Greg Dean, Jeff Dean and Virginia Dean, all of Houston, TX; sister-in-law, Katy Dean Hill of Conroe, TX and niece, Tracy and husband, Martin Orr and children Jessica and Dylan of Victoria, British Columbia, Canada. Jeanne was born in Minneapolis where her father was a professional hockey player/coach. They then returned to her father's home, Calgary, Alberta where she spent her childhood. She attended the University of Alberta and worked as a newspaper reporter before meeting her future husband, Henry, at a Christmas party at her parent's house. Henry was in Calgary working in the oil business and they were married on the 3rd of November 1951. They moved to Houston where Henry continued to work in the oil business. Jeanne was a dedicated homemaker and mother for her 2 boys. The family had moves to Denver, Pittsburgh, and Lafayette before returning to Houston again. Along the way there were many trips back to her beloved Calgary

and the Canadian Rockies. After her boys went to college, Jeanne began volunteering at MD Anderson Hospital. She was a mainstay in the surgical waiting area for 35 years. She was dedicated to MD Anderson and its mission of fighting cancer in a caring way. Ironically, she was also a patient there and survived three separate cancers before finally succumbing to a fourth cancer which was secondary to radiation she received during her first treatment 27 years ago. She fought this last cancer with her typical courage and optimism until the last moment. Jeanne was a charter member of the Anderson Network and was featured as a cancer survivor in television spots and newspaper and magazine ads. She came to love golf in later life and was active at Braeburn Country Club and with their Women's Association. She and Henry enjoyed dancing and spent many nights dancing at the Petroleum Club and were members of the Vintage Group of the Petroleum Club. The memorial service will be conducted at one o'clock in the afternoon on Monday, the 24th of November, at St. Martin's Episcopal Church, 717 Sage Road, where Dr. John K. Graham and the Rev. John R. Bentley, Jr. will officiate. Following the service, all are invited to join the family for a reception in the adjacent Bagby Parish Hall. In lieu of the usual remembrances, donations may be made in Jeanne's name to Anderson Network, 1515 Holclombe Blvd., Houston, TX 77030 or to a charity of your choice.