Mary M. Landis, (21 May 1916 – 19 Sep 2004), Patriot-News, Tuesday, September 21, 2004

NEWPORT - **Mary M. Landis**, 88, of Newport, passed away Sunday, September 19, 2004 at Perry Village, New Bloomfield.

She was born in Newport on May 21, 1916, and was the daughter of the late **Arthur C**. and **Bertha Rippman Landis**.

She lived in Germany during her youth and returned to Newport in 1933. She graduated from Smith College in 1937. She worked for Armstrong Cork and Linoleum in Lancaster following college, for several years, and then returned to Newport.

She was active in many organizations. She was a driving force in establishing the Newport Library and was librarian for many years. Her memberships included PA Council of the Arts, Past President of Newport Civic Club, Newport Woman's Club, Historical Society, co-founded a Book Club, was an active bridge player and former member of the Harrisburg Bridge Club, was founding member of Perry County Community Foundation, Garden Club, Board Member of the Louise Beard Memorial, named Volunteer of the Year for Perry Valley Grange, President of Central PA Chapter of Smith College Alumni, member and former vestry member of the Nativity Episcopal Church, Newport.

Surviving are 7seven nephews, **Michael Christie** of CA, **Arthur C. Landis III** of PA, **David Landis** of OH, **Charles Landis**, **Jr**., of New Zealand, **John Baker** of TX, **Bob Baker** of PA, and **Richard Landis** of VA; three nieces, **Sydnor Dickenson** and **Sue Sadler**, both of VA, and **Mary Alice High** of PA, and several grandnieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by two brothers, **Arthur** and **Charles Landis**; two sisters, **Helen Baker** and **Virginia Christie**; and one nephew, **Peter Christie**.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday at 11 a.m., from the Nativity Episcopal Church, Newport. Burial will be in the Newport Cemetery. Viewing will be on Friday from 6-8 p.m., from the Myers Funeral Home, Newport.

Contributions may be made to Nativity Episcopal Church, 159 South 2nd Street, Newport, PA 17074 or Newport Public Library, 316 North 4th Street, Newport, PA 17074.

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