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APPLICATION FOR REINSTATEMENT OF MEMBERSHIP
World War II Flight Nurses Association, Inc.

\$25.00

TOWER

JEAN E.

LASSITER

Maiden name in service

First name

Present name

ADDRESS FOR MAILING PURPOSES:

PHONE: (919) 637-5762

1109 BASIL DR
NEW BERN, NC
28562

BIRTHDATE (OPTIONAL) 10-12-15

SEASONAL ADDRESS _____

As a member, I would be willing to serve on the Board (); on a committee ()

I am enclosing \$10 for the year 1992. In addition, I am enclosing \$5 REINSTATEMENT fee. I understand that dues for 1993 are payable before 31 March 1993.

I am also sending \$10 for 1993 at this time. (optional)

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PRE-SERVICE EDUCATION:

School of nursing University of Rochester City Rochester State NY

College Columbia University Degree MA

SERVICE:

Date of entry 6-1-43 Station Bowman Field Branch US Army Air Corps

RANKS HELD:

2nd LT, 1st LT, CAPT

DISCHARGE/RETIREMENT AT ? CAMP KILMER DATE 1946

AWARDS, DECORATIONS AIR MEDAL c OAK LEAF CLUSTER

DUTY STATIONS, DATES, SQUADRON, DUTIES:

Pre-school of air evac 811th ETO 1943-45
806th ETO 1946

School of air evac attended ① Bowman Field, ② Randolph Field

Dates attended ① 1943 ② 1-28-49 Class of _____ (refresher in reserves)

First assignment Overseas ETO Squadron 811th

OTHER ASSIGNMENTS, continue on back; add pertinent facts about service experience and/or subsequent life history.

WWTII

Subj: **Jean Evelyn Tower Lassiter**
Date: 1/10/2009 1:49:48 PM Central Standard Time
From: urss212@suddenlink.net
To: Undisclosed-Recipient;

Dear Ms. Errair;

I have been meaning to write many times but I have had trouble getting the task done. It is with sadness that I report the death of my mother(step) Jean T. Lassiter on 1/18/08. She was a part of the 811th M.A.E.T Squadron and remained a part of the reserves until she and Daddy married in 1958. She was absolutely a wonderful mother(for almost 50 years!!!) for my brother and myself and a well respected woman in all that she did. We miss her greatly. She was really sick for a week before she died and I should have expected her death but it caught me by surprise. Guess we don't want to lose those we love!! I have copied her obituary below if you care to read it.

Thank you so much for keeping the FNA letters coming to her. The last couple of years before her death, I had to read them to her and the last one she indicated that she recognized a couple of names although she did have trouble getting words out and expressing herself well. I think I wrote to comment on that fact to the Association. She was a part of the 811th M.A.E.T Squadron.

Again many thanks.

Yours truly,

Gail L Young

Jean Evelyn Tower Lassiter, 92, died at her residence at Cypress Glen in Greenville, NC, after a long illness. She was a native of Youngstown, NY, daughter of Mary Belle and Ray C. Tower. She was the widow of William Lockwood Lassiter of Elizabeth City, NC. She is survived by her daughter, Gail Lassiter Young of New Bern, NC, and son, CL Lassiter, of Carrboro, NC. Additionally, she is survived by her nieces Mary Ann Rolland of Youngstown, NY, Harriet "Skeeter" Tower of Youngstown, NY, Bettina Deters of Sarasota, FL, and a nephew, Gary Brown of Penney Farms, FL.

She was valedictorian of her high school class and received her nursing (RN) degree from the University of Rochester in NY. A woman ahead of her time, she received a pilot's license and logged 58 hours of flying time before joining the Army Air Corps. During World War II, she was an Army Air Corps flight nurse who achieved the rank of Captain before her honorable discharge. Following her stint in the Army Air Corps, she used the GI bill to pay for her graduate education at Columbia University in NY where she received the degree of Master of Public Health in Public Health Nursing.

Upon moving to NC in 1958, she used her nursing skills for the NC State Board of Health ultimately being promoted to Public Health Director for the northeastern area of NC before retiring. After retirement she settled with her husband in New Bern, NC.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made in her name to the donors' local hospice, food bank, Habitat for Humanity, or the hospital to which she contributed during her lifetime: Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, 1275 York Avenue, New York, New York 10065.