

**Bettie Melum**

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Bettie S. Melum, 90, of Hilton Head Island died Wednesday, July 26, 2006, at her home.

She was born June 11, 1916, and grew up in Oak Park, Ill. She graduated from Oak Park & River Forest High School, received a bachelor's degree in French from Northwestern University and attended the University of Paris-Sorbonne.

Mrs. Melum was a member of First Presbyterian Church and the Kappa Kappa Gamma Alumni Club, and an active participant at The Cypress of Hilton Head. In earlier years, she was a deacon at the First Congregational Church and a member of the Infant Welfare Society in Oak Park. She played golf with the Georgia Seniors while residing on St. Simons Island, Ga.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 49 years, H. William Melum.

She is survived by a daughter, Barbara Carnal of Ridgeland; a son, Robert of Sarasota, Fla.; three grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; a brother, William of Northfield, Ill.; and numerous nieces and nephews.

A reception will be from 3 to 4 p.m. Saturday at The Cypress Clubhouse. A family service and interment will be held at The Cemetery at Christ Church, Frederica, on St. Simons Island.

Memorial contributions may be made to the First Presbyterian Church, 540 William Hilton Parkway, Hilton Head Island, SC 29928; or to Hospice Care of the Lowcountry, P.O. Box 24158, Hilton Head Island, SC 29925.

The Island Funeral Home and Crematory is in charge of arrangements.