

## **Inez "Toddy" McGayhey Turns 100 February 21, 2016**

Widow of LCDR Francis J. "Mac" McGayhey

My mother, Inez 'Toddy' McGayhey, will turn 100 years old three weeks from yesterday, February 21, 2016. Mom was married to my father LCDR Francis J. "Mac" McGayhey for almost 60 years before he passed away in 2005. They were very involved in both the local Airship Chapter here in New Jersey and the NWSA and regularly attended NWSA conventions all over the country.

We will be having a birthday celebration for my mother. We plan to hold it at the Cedar Grove Methodist Church Hall on Bay Avenue near the corner of Cedar Grove Road. The actual address is 797 Bay Ave, Toms River, NJ 08753. This is the location where they hold Roast Beef suppers in the warmer months. We hope to have Mom there by 1 pm and expect that she will want to be back home between 3 & 4. I hope to cut the cake around 2:30 (if we don't burn the place down...100 candles you know.) Light refreshments will be served. You are all welcome to come and celebrate with us. If you could give me an idea if you plan to come, I would certainly appreciate it.

At the top are a few pictures from the last few birthday parties we've had for Mom. There are many more posted at Facebook. If you want access to my Facebook page, just send a request. I have never turned down anyone I actually know or know of.

At 100, there is not a lot that she needs other than to occasionally see her family and friends. We hope if any of you are in the area, you will be able to join us.

If you can not be with us on the 21st, or if you are out of the area I would not blame you for not wanted to be at the Jersey Shore in February. You are welcome to visit Mom any day if you find yourself in or close to Toms River. She is 3 miles from the Garden State Parkway, 30 miles from the New Jersey Turnpike and 50 miles from the Atlantic City Expressway. The best times are mid morning before lunch or mid afternoon after lunch. Message me here, email me or call me 732-966-7344 if you would like an update or want to pass on changes in email, addresses or whatever.

She is doing well and looking forward to her birthday. She seems to find it hard to believe that people want to keep coming back to help celebrate her birthday. I'm not sure she had a lot of celebrations when she was younger but she always made sure we celebrated Patty's & my birthdays no matter where we were. I turned six on Mehdia Beach in Morocco surrounded by kids I didn't know. We'd lived there less than a week and she'd gone around the neighborhood and rounded them up, American kids, French kids and Moroccan kids. I celebrated my 7th birthday in Munich after we'd been to the lawyers office as part of the process to adopt my sister, Patty. Several birthdays were spent in the middle of the Atlantic. So it seems having a little celebration for Mom is the least we can do.

She still has many of the same visitors The Deacons from her church come about once a month. All the deacons in the church try to sign up to visit Mom. Her three grandchildren, Paula, the health aide and I join in for the mini-service and communion. Then, Mom included, we sing hymns while Teresa, her eldest grand daughter plays the violin..

I want to thank everyone who sent cards to us and to my mother. If I didn't get one to you I apologize. Mom still looks at her cards on a regular basis.

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