

Honolulu McKeldin, Md. first lady, dies

Services for Honolulu Claire McKeldin, a volunteer worker who was first lady of Baltimore and the state, will be held at 11 a.m. today in the chapel of the Episcopal Church of the Redeemer, Charles Street and Melrose Avenue.

Mrs. McKeldin, who was 88, died Monday of cancer at her home in Homeland.

In 1924, she married Theodore R. McKeldin, who served as both mayor and governor before his death in 1974.

She had been a volunteer at Union Memorial Hospital and was

active in the Empty Stocking Club.

Mrs. McKeldin also served as a nutritionist for the Red Cross during World War II and worked regularly in the annual Flower Mart of the Women's Civic League.

She was especially fond of flower gardening and painted still lifes and landscapes.

She was a member of the Three Arts Club of Homeland, the Woman's Club of Roland Park and the Homeland Garden Club.

In addition, she and her husband were fond of Saturday tours of the antique shops along Howard Street.

The former Honolulu Claire Manzer was a native of Sidney Center, N.Y., who came to Baltimore as a child with her family.

She was a graduate of Western High School and the Maryland Institute and worked at the First National Bank before her marriage.

Mrs. McKeldin is survived by a son, Theodore R. McKeldin Jr. of Baltimore; a daughter, Clara McKeldin Ziegler of Upper Marlboro; two sisters, Janet Manzer Einstein of Mercer Island, Wash., and Helen Manzer Foley of Baltimore; and five grandchildren.