



RESIDENT FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST
1984 - - - - - MARY COWART

MARY COWART WAS BORN 7-15-1903 IN KNOXVILLE, TENN. TO BELLE & JOHN ROLLER. SHE IS AN ONLY CHILD AND SAYS SHE WAS INDEED "A SPOILED BRAT".

HER FATHER'S BUSINESS WAS THAT OF BUYING AND SELLING LIVE STOCK OF ALL KIND, MOSTLY CATTLE, HORSES AND HOGS. ALSO, HE SOLD LIGHTNING RODS WHICH, BACK IN THAT ERA, WAS A THRIVING BUSINESS. WHEN MARY WAS 12 YRS. OLD THEY MOVED FROM KNOXVILLE TO FAIRBURN, GA.

MARY FINISHED HIGH SCHOOL IN FAIRBURN AND WENT TWO YEARS TO THE OLD COX COLLEGE AT COLLEGE PARK. HER BURNING DESIRE WAS TO BE A SCHOOL TEACHER SO SHE ATTENDED UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA SUMMER SCHOOL- OBTAINED HER DEGREE AND TAUGHT SCHOOL FOR TEN YEARS. SHE WAS QUALIFIED FOR GRADES ONE THROUGH SEVEN BUT SHE TAUGHT THE FIRST GRADE MOST OF THE TIME.

AT THIS PERIOD OF HER LIFE MARY MET AND FELL IN LOVE WITH WALTER COWART. REMAINING A TEACHER JUST DIDN'T SEEM TO BE THE MOST IMPORTANT THING IN HER WORLD RIGHT THEN SO ON 5-26-1926 THEY WERE MARRIED. THEY HAD 4 GIRLS AND BY A PREVIOUS MARRAGE WALTER ALREADY HAD 3 DAUGHTERS SO THEY HAD 7 DAUGHTERS UNDER THE ROOF. MARY LAUGHS AND SAYS "THAT WAS SURE A LOT OF FEMALE UNDER ONE ROOF" SHE NOW HAS 7 GRANDSONS WHICH MAKES UP THE DIFFERENCE, SHE SAYS, AND IN ALL (HER DAUGHTERS & STEP-DAUGHTER'S) SHE HAS 15 GRANDCHILDREN.

IN 1939 EAST POINT REALTY COMPANY WAS FOUNDED WITH WALTER COWART AS PRESIDENT AND MARY COWART AS VICE-PRESIDENT. THIS BUSINESS WAS ACTIVE UNTIL WALTER'S DEATH IN 1970. MARY SAID SHE COULD NOT GO IT ALONE SO SHE SOLD OUT AFTER ABOUT A YEAR.

AFTER WALTER'S DEATH ONE OF HER DAUGHTERS CAME AND LIVED WITH HER UNTIL SHE MADE HER MOVE ON 4-14-83 TO COME LIVE AT U/C. SHE SAYS SHE LIKES IT HERE VERY MUCH - SHE BELIEVES ALL THE FOLKS THAT WORK HERE OR SERVE IN ANY WAY ARE CHRISTIANS - "BECAUSE THEIR ACTIONS ARE TOO GOOD NOT TO BE".

YOU TOO ARE A WONDERFUL LADY MARY COWART-TOGETHER MAY WE SERVE ONE ANOTHER IN LOVE.