

## OBITUARIES

### **Elisabeth Chula Chakrabongse**

*Mom* Elisabeth passed away on 27 November 1971 at the age of 56.

She was born in London on 29 November 1915 and was educated at Prior Field School, Surrey, in Florence, and at Byam Shaw School, London. She married H.R.H. Prince Chula Chakrabongse on 30 September 1938.

From 1938 to the last year of her life, *Mom* Elisabeth visited this country every year. She was an active supporter of the Thai Red Cross, a keen observer of Buddhism, and a supporter of the arts. In 1967, for instance, the Chula Chakrabongse Foundation purchased the Adamson Collection of King Mongkut's letters and presented it to the National Library. The letters were published in February 1971.

In her lifetime, everyone who knew her was struck by *Mom* Elisabeth's beauty and accomplishments. Modest about her own considerable gifts and achievements, she was generous and quick to appreciate those of others, for her nature was unflawed by jealousy or envy.

Outstandingly loyal, lively and energetic, *Mom* Elisabeth gave unsparingly of her time to help a friend or a good cause.

She will be deeply missed by her friends in Thailand and England.