ROWENA BECKER (nee DANIEL)

Biographical Data: Born 1921 in Henderson, North Carolina
Education: Graduated Meredith College in 1942; majored in Mathematics
NACA/NASA Experience: Employed 1942-1947; Computing Pool; Computer 8 Foot Tunnels, involved in pressure distributions and high speed research

Rowena Becker began at Langley only one month after graduating from college. Told about job opportunities at NACA by one of her professors, she worked in the Computing Pool for six months and then moved to the 8 Foot High Speed Tunnel. Becker enjoyed doing “engineering aide work” at 8 Foot, where she would go into the wind tunnel to take readings and work out formulas while tests were running. This enabled the engineers to see how the test was working out while it was in process.