Hilda Harned Newcomb, the daughter of Meeting members Robey Wentworth Harned and Edna Johnson Harned and the sister of member Margaret Harned Wright, became a member of Friends Meeting of Washington in 1939 at the age of 26. She was an active participant in Young Friends activities for a number of years. She married Laurence Newcomb in 1941 in South Carolina. In the early 1950's, the family moved from southern Maryland to the Washington area, where she remained for the rest of her life. Her husband and five children became members in 1955. Some children later attended Quaker schools.

Through the years, Hilda maintained a desire to remain a member of the Meeting. For several years before her death, she was unable to participate actively in many Meeting functions. Nevertheless, because of her close family's long involvement with the Meeting, her identity as a Friends Meeting of Washington member was an integral part of her life.