



Margaret Reid Johnson

February 7, 2018

Johnson, Margaret Reid; Margaret (Peggy) Reid Johnson died Wednesday, February 7, 2018 at age 89 after a long battle with Vascular Dementia. Born March 27, 1928 in Bridgeport, CT to Hazel and Edward Reid, she lived in the West Hartford and Farmington area for most of her life. Margaret attended the University of New Hampshire where she pledged Alpha Chi Omega. It was at the university that she met Evert M. Johnson to whom she was married for 45 years until his death in 1993.

Margaret became socially active, campaigning for price control for milk in the 50s and delivering food for the Meals on Wheels organization. She was an active Girl Scout and Brownie leader for the West Hartford community. Along with her friend Marion Frank and her mother, a children's librarian, she established one of the first West Hartford elementary school libraries at Braeburn School. She also spent many years working with the Panhellenic Foundation, raising funds for scholarships. An avid craftsperson and patron of the arts, and she helped design and produce quilts that are currently on display in the Connecticut Medical Center in Farmington.

As her children grew up she started to do more work in the West Hartford school system, working at Morley and then Aiken Elementary schools as a para-professional. She was secretary to the Principal at Duffy Elementary and secretary to the West Hartford school psychologist at Hall High. After her retirement, she became a volunteer for The Bridge Center, Inc. in West Hartford, working there for 20 years.

Margaret leaves behind four children, Emily (Lee) Johnson of Brookline MA, Martha J Sullivan and husband Timothy of Barkhamsted, CT, Margaret (Maggie) Jones and husband Freeman of Black Mountain NC and David E Johnson of NYC. Peggy has enjoyed the years watching her three grandchildren grow up to be adults; Jesse Jones and wife Laura of Asheville NC, Molly Poore and husband Jeremy also of Asheville NC, Caitlin Sullivan and husband G. Charles Nierlich of San Francisco CA, and 4 great grandchildren.

We would like to thank the many caregivers our mother has had these past years. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Bridge Family Center, Inc. 1022

Farmington Ave. West Hartford, CT 06107-2015. Arrangements are entrusted to Molloy Funeral Home, West Hartford, CT.

Comments



“ Peggy was a very dear friend and sorority sister. She introduced me to my husband on the UNH campus. We were fortunate to live near each other after graduating. We always kept in touch and had lots of fun with Alpha Chi Omega alumni group. She was a friend that I could always count on. My sincerest condolences to her family. I will miss her. - In the Bonds - Jeanne Smart Place

Jeanne Place - February 11, 2018 at 06:35 PM