



Dorothy Ann Palmer

November 19, 2018

Dorothy Ann Palmer, 87, of Newington died Monday (November 19, 2018). Born in Hartford on September 1, 1931, a daughter of the late Raymond and Dorothy (Slater) Palmer of West Hartford, she was a resident of West Hartford for 55 years before moving to Newington; she spent her summers in Quonochontaug, Rhode Island. Ms. Palmer was a graduate of Chafee School in Windsor, received her B.A. from Cornell University in 1953, her M.A. in history from Trinity College, and in 1966 she received a Diploma in International Relations from The International Institute of Social Studies, University in the Hague, Netherlands. She taught for 39 years, 37 of them at Wethersfield High School where she was an active member of the Wethersfield Federation of Teachers, with 1 year in Millbrook, New York and 1 year for the U.S. Army in Wurzburg, Germany. Ms. Palmer traveled extensively, visiting every country in Europe and all continents except Antarctica. Upon retirement, she divided her time between Connecticut and Rhode Island, served as docent at the Museum of American Political Life at the University of Hartford and was an avid bridge player. She was very appreciative, and enjoyed the company, of her caregivers in recent years, especially Olga and Nadia. She is survived by her sister, Harriet P. Shea and her brother-in-law, David J. Loughlin, 4 nieces and 1 nephew; Marjorie Loughlin (Frank Costigan), Nancy Loughlin (Warren Boley), Susan Loughlin (Chris White), Julie Holt (Michael), John Shea (Ames), and 9 grandnieces and grandnephews; Kyran, David, Kevin, Samuel, Dylan, Meredith, Sara,

Madeline and Daniel. She was predeceased by her sister Joyce P. Loughlin and her brother-in-law, John P. Shea. The funeral will be Tuesday, November 27th at 10:00 am at St. Thomas the Apostle, 872 Farmington Ave., West Hartford. Burial will be at Mount St. Benedict Cemetery, Bloomfield, CT. Online expressions of sympathy may be made at www.molloyfuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

Mt. St. Benedict Cemetery

1 Cottage Grove Rd.
Bloomfield, CT

Previous Events

Mass of Christian Burial

NOV 27. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Thomas the Apostle
872 Farmington Ave.
West Hartford, CT
(860) 233-8269

Tribute Wall

JD

“ My name is Judith McMahon Dinniman and I had Miss Palmer for Ancient History at Wethersfield HS about 60 yrs ago. She was my best teacher ever, including my college instructors. She made Ancient History (which I dreaded taking) so much fun and interesting that I have never forgotten that class and that teacher. My sincere condolences to her family and friends. She made a difference in so many lives.

Judy Dinniman

judy dinniman - November 30, 2018 at 08:32 PM

RM

Miss Palmer was a fantastic teacher !

Roger Morell - December 30, 2024 at 12:46 PM

MR

“ Dear friends,
Please accept my sincere condolences for the loss of dear Dorothy. We had been friends at Quonochontaug for many years. She was a lovely lady and will be sadly missed.
With sympathy,
Mary Ruggieri

Mary Ruggieri - November 24, 2018 at 01:08 PM

LF

“ I sorry to hear of Ms. Palmer's passing she was a wonderful lady and friend of my Moms. We spent may days with her on the beach, she was one more person always watching over us Quonnie kids. A wonderful memory I have of her is, she was telling my Mom that a few of her friends were coming down to RI and she was planning a lunch but she didn't no what to feed them. My Mom told her to just make Fluffer-Nutter sandwiches, which Ms. Palmer had no idea what that was. My Mom went over later that day with fuffer-nutter sandwiches and that is what she served them. From then on she went known from Ms. Palmer to the Fluffer-Nutter Lady!
She will be missed in Quonnie.
Laura Flanagan
Quonnie RI

Laura Flanagan - November 24, 2018 at 10:46 AM

ME

“ Saddened to hear of Ms. Palmer's passing. It is because of her, I also became a teacher and a world traveler. When asked, who was my favorite teacher? I never hesitated to respond to that question. It was always "Ms. Dotty Palmer." She always shared her interesting slides of her adventures to foreign lands and she made history come alive in her classes. My condolences to her friends and family.
M.E.- Wethersfield H.S. Class of 1971.

Maureen Edmonds - November 21, 2018 at 04:43 PM

ST

Miss Palmer was one of my most favorite teachers. She was a treasure. Sending my condolences to her family.

stacey - November 23, 2018 at 08:33 PM