



Joelle McLean

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Joelle McLean of West Hartford, and recently Bloomfield, died peacefully September 16, 2023. She was 97 years old. Born Joel Caroline Hinchman in Johnstown, PA, she was the daughter of the late Dr. Henry Carlisle Hinchman, Jr. and Mrs. Auna Hager Hinchman, and the widow of Lauchlin Huiet McLean. She is survived by her children and their spouses: Laurie McLean and Earl Landesman, Andy McLean and Mike Burnham, and Mary McLean and Rita Cortes; granddaughter Amelia Landesman and spouse Sam Gustus, grandson Michael Landesman and partner Kara Zimmerman, and great-granddaughter Persephone Gustus.

Joelle was valedictorian of her class at Westmont High School. She was a graduate of Vassar College (1947), the pioneering Harvard-Radcliffe Program in Business Administration for women (1949), and earned a MA in History from Trinity College (1967). Following an early career in personnel administration she devoted herself to the well-being of her husband and children.

Joelle had fond memories of growing up in Johnstown including her childhood friend Nan Cameron and rolling up the carpet to dance with her classmates after dance class. Joelle and her late husband Lauchlin were inseparable life partners. They enjoyed travel and being outdoors in the natural environment. Joelle had been a member of the Vassar Club of Hartford, the Town and

County Club, and the Universalist Church of West Hartford.