



Camille D. Cognac

August 27, 1947 - September 22, 2014

Camille Dalphond Cognac, a longtime resident of Columbia County, passed away at Columbia Memorial Hospital in Hudson NY, on Monday morning, September 22, 2014 after a short illness. She was 67.

Camille was born August 27, 1947, in Lowell, MA, a daughter of Willis H. and Gabrielle M. (Dalphond) Cognac. She was raised in Dracut, Mass., alongside four sisters and a brother.

After getting her master's degree in education from SUNY Cortland, she began her professional career as an educator, teaching at multiple grade levels and institutions in Massachusetts, Connecticut, and New York. In 1986 she opened a quilt restoration and repair shop called "K&K Quilts" in Hillsdale NY on Route 23. She ran the business from that location for 18 years during which time she also had a book on quilt restoration published and took part in various craft/textile related conferences and shows as a key speaker/contributor.

Camille had a passion for learning and knowledge and was constantly researching one topic or another. She served as Town Historian for Hillsdale NY. Her conversation abilities were legendary, and it was not uncommon to hear her talking about wildly varied topics, usually with a smile on her face and an attentive audience.

She is survived by 3 sons and two daughters-in-law, Karl and Jennifer Blodgett of Glenmont NY, Daniel Blodgett and Sarah Chartock of Brooklyn NY, and David Blodgett of Craryville NY as well as four grandchildren Gabriel, Sage, Morgan, and Noah. She also leaves behind 2 sisters Louise Henry and Anne Marie DeLuca both of Spring Hill, FL; and brother and sister-in-law, Nelson and Joanna Cognac of Natick, MA. She was preceded in death by 2 of her sisters, Felice Cognac and Rachelle Geisenhainer.

A celebration of life will be held from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, September 24, 2014, at the Bates & Anderson Funeral home at 110 Green Street in Hudson NY.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Salvation Army.

Tribute Wall

BR

“ Dear Karl, Daniel and David,

Your Mother and I shared many happy days together as young mothers living in Yorktown Heights, N.Y. While her death comes as a total shock to me, reading about her life and her many accomplishments (after that time that we shared in the 1970's) gives me great pleasure. I remember your Mom as creative, generous and full of life! My only regret is that we lost contact...I will remember her forever as a great woman and friend with many gifts which she so willingly shared.

Beth Ruberg and family (husband Ron, children Melanie, David and Daniel)

Beth Ruberg - October 14, 2014 at 12:09 PM

DB

“ Dear Karl, Daniel and David,
Your mom meant the world to me. Below is a tribute to her.
You're all in my thoughts and prayers.

Love,
Doug

There are a lot of adjectives to describe Camille Cognac: brilliant, talented, artistic, fearless, loving, passionate, loyal and thoughtful to name just a few.

The word that keeps coming to my mind, though, is nurturing. I was often a beneficiary of Camille's unparalleled kindness during my college years.

Words can't describe how much I appreciated her generosity and warmth.

It created an unbreakable bond between us that I will cherish forever.

When I reflect on the many wonderful memories I have of Camille, I will think back fondly on the long, honest conversations that would start late in the night and often continue until sunrise. The topics ranged wildly, which provided unbelievable nourishment for a hungry mind.

Camille had an ability to teach without teaching; to get you to see things more clearly; to help you develop and grow and build knowledge and confidence and trust in yourself.

What an amazing gift. And what's even more amazing is that she was willing to share this gift.

Today I feel deep sadness that Camille is gone, but I also feel unbelievable gratitude and gratefulness because her love was a blessing in my life.

Douglas A. Bolduc - September 24, 2014 at 08:04 AM

SH

“ Karl, Dan, David,

You three are in our thoughts and prayers.

Love, Aunt Sarah and Uncle Duane

Sarah Hughes - September 23, 2014 at 07:36 AM

MD

“ Hello everyone,

I would like to extend my sincerest and heart-felt condolences for you all. One memory I have of Camille is when we were in 3rd grade, she taught us how to stencil fabric for Christmas pillows. She helped me make a Christmas tree on my pillow. It was a lot of fun. Camille was such a great artist, a first rate mom, a thoughtful neighbor... a very loving and warm human being. She will be greatly missed, but never forgotten. She will always be a shining star. All our love and prayers to Karl, Dan, David, and to all of the family. God bless you always. Matt DeRuzzio and family.

matt deruzzio - September 22, 2014 at 11:19 PM