



## Frances Lasher McLean

June 14, 1926 - August 10, 2021

Frances Lasher McLean was born June 14, 1926 at Hudson Hospital, Hudson, NY. Daughter of the late Lewis and Pearl (Hoffman) Lasher, Frances grew up in the small Hudson Valley village of Germantown. She and her friends enjoyed the life of growing up in a small rural fruit town, at a time when farms were the backbone of Columbia County and it was safe to leave the back door open at night. She graduated from Germantown Central School and went into nurses' training at Albany Medical Center affiliated with Russell Sage College. Chosen from her class to become a nursing instructor in the AMC program, Frances taught for several years at Albany Medical Center before moving to Florida where she practiced nursing at Halifax General. She returned to Germantown to marry Albert McLean, February 20, 1949, and in 1951 semi-retired from nursing to raise her family. Frances returned to her career full-time, in the late 1960's at Columbia Memorial Hospital as a surgical nurse, and later as Discharge Coordinator, a position she held for 25 years, working with patients, teaching procedures and generally assisting the members of the community who were patients or had family who were patients at Columbia Memorial.

Frances was active in the community; from her youth she was a member of the United Methodist Church in Germantown, a past member of the Jennings Willetts Post Legion Auxiliary, a leader for both Brownie and Cub Scout Troops, a member of the Eastern Star, Hudson Fort Nightly, Columbia Memorial Auxiliary and the Hendrick Hudson Chapter of the Daughters of the

American Revolution. An avid golfer, Frances enjoyed the game at the Columbia Golf and Country Club in Claverack and later at the Edgewood Golf Club in Tivoli, playing the game into her eighties. She was also a member of several professional organizations including the Albany Medical Center Alumni Association and the New York State Nurses' Association.

In retirement Frances enjoyed travel. With friends she explored almost all of the capitals of Europe. She spent time in Britain, Ireland, France, Spain, Italy, Greece, Turkey, and areas around the Black Sea. She also traveled all over the United States, finding the Rockies and the desert Southwest favorite locations. Winters were spent cruising the Caribbean or visiting friends from nursing school days in Florida.

Frances enjoyed friends and family, her love of her dogs was well known to all who knew her. She was giving of her time to friends and strangers alike. She gave her time willingly and took great pride in the good she was able to do for the members of the community through her skills as a nurse, teacher and friend.

Frances will be deeply missed by her children, Hugh and Linda. In addition to her children, she is survived by nieces, Mary Lew Fink, Cheryl Lasher and Karen Hinkein as well as several cousins. In lieu of flowers donations in her memory may be made to Albany Medical School of Nursing Alumni Association or the Columbia Greene Humane Society.

A funeral service from the Bates & Anderson-Redmond & Keeler Funeral Home will be Friday August 13th at 2:30pm. A visitation hour prior to the funeral service will begin at 1:30pm. Interment will be in the Germantown Reformed Church Cemetery.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 13. 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM (ET)

Bates & Anderson - Redmond & Keeler  
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Hudson, NY 12534  
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## Funeral Service

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# Tribute Wall

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“ Hey Hugh I'm really sorry to hear about your mother. I'm just find out about it now otherwise I would of been there. Just wanted to let you know I was thinking about you. Bruce Benton

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**Bruce Benton** - August 15, 2021 at 02:58 PM