



Mary Louise Garrison

February 22, 1929 - April 15, 2020

Mary Louise Garrison, 91, passed away on April 15 at Pine Haven Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Philmont, NY from complications associated with the corona virus. She was born on February 22, 1929 in Poughkeepsie to the late David and Kathleen Taylor. The Poughkeepsie High School graduate, worked for local businesses before marrying Poughkeepsie native Robert Ostrander, who predeceased her in 1980.

The couple moved to Philmont, raised three sons and operated a family-owned grocery in the village for many years. She joined other women in founding the Philmont Fire Department Ladies' Auxiliary. Following the death of her first husband, she wed the late Arthur Garrison and lived in Dutchess County.

Mary Lou is survived by sons Stephen Ostrander (Janine) of Columbus, Ohio; Robert Ostrander Jr. (Mary) of Santa Clarita, California; and Laurence Ostrander (Maria) of Philmont. She has eight enduring grandchildren: Robert Ostrander III, Regan Javier (Jim) Katie Swain (Sage), Catherine Migden-Ostrander (Daniel Wai Poi), David Ostrander (Kelsey), Ashley Bender (Jesse), Brian Ostrander and Colleen Ostrander; and four great-grandchildren: Madeline and James Javier, Madeleine Migden, and Jameson Bender. Siblings Kathleen Digilio, Grace Thorne, and David Taylor predeceased her. Mary Lou will be remembered for her optimism, enthusiasm, fun, spunk and inherent desire to make everyone in her presence feel loved, comforted and good-humored. No stomach visiting her home went unfed; every dog or cat

within her reach was rewarded.

A celebration of Mary Lou's life will be held at a later time. She will be interred next to husband Robert Ostrander in Sacred Heart Cemetery, Philmont.

Contributions in memory of Mary Lou may be made to the Philmont Fire Co.

Tribute Wall

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“ Aunt MaryLou was one of a kind. I used to enjoy her company at our large family gatherings and, in later years, outings with her and my Mom. I'd heard so many wonderful stories about the past. I will especially remember her smile and sense of humor. She will always be a part of us.
Lynn Digilio Berkley, niece.

Lynn Berkley - April 17, 2020 at 10:29 AM

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“ She was a wonderful grandmother and so much fun to be around. My love to my father and his brothers and the rest of our family in these difficult times. Xoxo

Catherine Ostrander - April 16, 2020 at 09:07 PM

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“ We are so sorry to hear about Marylou. She was such a warm hearted, lovely, caring person. She always had a good word and smile for everyone. May she rest in peace. Bill Blaauw and Pat Palen



Patricia Palen - April 16, 2020 at 07:20 AM