



Mildred Friedrich

January 31, 1929 - October 30, 2020

Mildred Friedrich, age 91, passed away peacefully on October 30, 2020, at Thompson House, a residential health care facility, in Rhinebeck, NY. Born January 31, 1929 in Baldwin Long Island to parents William and Karolina Strohmeier, the family moved to East Taghkanic, NY and owned and operated their family dairy farm.

Milly had four children, Jim and Linda from her first marriage to Gordon Piester, and Larry and Dan from her second marriage to William Friedrich. She was predeceased by both husbands and her younger brother William Strohmeier.

Milly loved music and played the piano and clarinet. At Roeliff Jansen School in Hillsdale, NY, she was active in extracurricular activities. She sang in the choir and played the clarinet in the orchestra and marching band and was selected to be a member of the New York All-State Band. She graduated Valedictorian of the class of 1947. She obtained an Associate's Degree from the Eastern School for Physicians' Aides in New York City and worked as a medical secretary for local ophthalmologist, Dr. Henry Little. She also worked at the Hudson School for Girls, later to become the Brookwood Secure Center. She then worked at Columbia Memorial Hospital for more than 25 years as a Medical Transcriptionist before retiring in 1998.

At home, Milly made great Sunday and holiday dinners, many of which are still being replicated by family members. She treasured the views surrounding her rural home and enjoyed planting trees and flowers in her lovely yard. She

especially enjoyed the cascade of ever-changing wild flowers throughout the seasons and loved the birds that are so plentiful in the meadows surrounding her home, knowing what kind of bird each was by sight and sound. Later, while not so active with gardening, she viewed the changing of the seasons through her windows and on the deck of her home and admired the many trees she nurtured as saplings through maturity. She enjoyed the company of her many pets over the years.

Milly is survived by her son Jim Piester and his wife Laura, her daughter Linda and her husband Gene, her son Larry and his wife Nicole, her son Dan and his wife Lynne, and three grandchildren, Becky, Hailyn and Claire. All of these she touched deeply with her love.

Funeral services are Thursday November 5th at 1:30 from the Bates & Anderson Redmond & Keeler Funeral Home. Visitation prior to the service will be from 1:00-1:30.

Contributions in her honor may be made to the Columbia-Greene Humane Society, 111 Humane Society Rd, Hudson, NY 12534.

Tribute Wall

CF

“ My sincere condolences to Linda and Gene, Jim, Laura, Larry Nicole, Dan and Lynne. I remember, with warm affectation being in Mildred's home for a family Thanksgiving. She left an enduring legacy to her children and grandchildren in terms of affection, inclusion, and acceptance. They continue to welcome others and one feels like a part of their family, instantly! I feel truly privileged to be a part of their celebrations.

Connie Fenton

Connie Fenton - November 09, 2020 at 01:25 PM

RB

“ Millie was like a second Mom to me in years past, always cooking great homemade food.

Our condolences to the family.

Beth / Rich Burgess

Richard Burgess - November 04, 2020 at 11:45 AM

HS

“ Always remember those Sunday dinners with the family. She was always so happy to have us all together. I am blessed to have those memories and be able to carry them with me. She gave me one of the best people in my life, Larry, and I will always be grateful to her for that. She raised amazing kids, who have never failed to make me feel a part of the family. She will live on through us all and I am so honored to have met and loved her. Love, Hailyn

Hailyn Suarez - November 04, 2020 at 11:28 AM

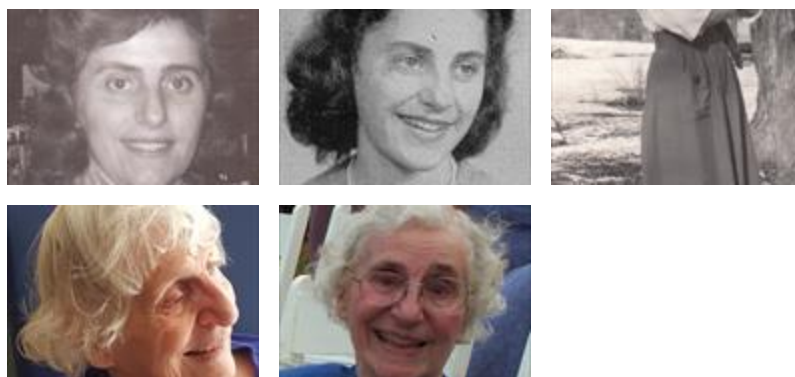
AM

“ So very sorry to hear that Millie has passed. I always remember how, when she passed her brother’s house she honked her horn to let him know she was headed out.If we were visiting there, we all waved to her and said” there goes Millie”..it was just a little thing,but something she always did. She had a great smile too.
Audrey Zapp Meicht

Audrey Meicht - November 04, 2020 at 11:04 AM



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Bates & Anderson - Redmond & Keeler - November 03, 2020 at 10:11 AM

JM

“ Joann McCagg lit a candle in memory of
Mildred Friedrich



Joann McCagg - November 02, 2020 at 11:18 AM

WS

“ I worked at with Millie at CMH for many years in the E.R dept
always ready and willing to help. A kind hearted and loving person.
Rest in peace my friend.. Wes Snyder now living in College Park,
Maryland

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