



Mrs. Margaret Knestaut

April 13, 1915 - July 27, 2014

Margaret Knestaut, age 99 years of Gibbstown died Sunday July 27, 2014 surrounded by her family. Margaret was born in Philadelphia in 1915 and she was a 1933 graduate of Paulsboro High School. She was a resident of Paulsboro and Gibbstown and worked as a telephone operator for N.J. Bell Telephone Company.

She is survived by her children, Jacqueline Reardon of Haddonfield, Diane and Brent Warner of Woodstown, Janice Skwarlo of Egg Harbor Twp.; 10 grandchildren; 17 great grandchildren and 1 great great grandchild. Margaret was predeceased by her husband, Albert "Tuffy" Knestaut and her son, Albert Knestaut II.

Funeral Services will be private and at the convenience of the family. Arrangements by McBride – Foley Funeral Home, Paulsboro. Contributions can be made in her memory to The Salvation Army, N.J. Division, PO Box 3170, Union, NJ 07083. Memories can be shared at <http://www.mcbridefoleyfh.com>.

Cemetery

Inurnment Private

Comments



“ When we would visit my father’s family in New Jersey, Grandmom would leave crayons and coloring books at the side of our beds as a little surprise. It was so exciting!! She would spoil us in the best of ways. But I must confess – there was one occasion at the grocery store; Grandmom picked up a box of Honey Nut Cheerios and asked my sister and me if our father let us have them. I immediately said "Yes!," knowing it was completely untrue, and totally ignoring the look of horror on my older sister’s face as she stood there speechless while I casually told my fib. Even to this day I can distinctly remember, reclining out on the screened back porch, huge bowl of cereal in my lap, enjoying the weather, my cereal, and my family.

Thinking of you all in New Jersey, from out here in California.
(Grandmom, don’t tell my Dad!!).

Amy Knestaut, Ventura, CA.

Amy Knestaut - August 06, 2014 at 05:07 PM



“ I remember way back when we were poor college students and often we would stop in at your home just off Berkley Road! Your Mom, Dad and other siblings were always so gracious. Even after we graduated and were out teaching and gone off in different directions I would see Diane. When she lived here on Lee Street your Mom would often stop in and we would have a little chat. She will be remembered with fondness.

Bev Hommer



Bev Hommer - July 30, 2014 at 11:25 AM



“ We are so sorry for your loss. I never got to meet Margaret, but we heard some amazing stories of an amazing woman. Your family will be in our thoughts and prayers.

Love,

Mary Ann, Dan and Zachary Mc Shane

Mary Jennifer Ann - July 29, 2014 at 12:25 PM



“ Dear Jackie, Diane, and Janice,

I was a close friend of "Al Who", one of the Four Amigos (Al, Pete, Marc, Joe). We called your mom "Big Steve"; I'm not sure why, but probably because she was always in charge. Yet she seemed to understand teenaged boys and their strange behavior.

We all loved Big Steve; she was like another mother, but cooler than our own moms. She tolerated us (even liked us) and our endless ping-pong games in the basement when we were in high school. One very clear memory was when she made blueberry pancakes for us all. We had been begging her to make them for us ... her price was that we 4 had to pick enough wild blueberries for the whole family. We certainly weren't known for our industriousness then, but we all pitched in and brought Big Steve a whole bucket of blueberries. She kept her part of the bargain, and respected us for keeping our part.

It's always sad when we lose touch with those we love and respect. I was saddened to hear that she had passed away; I hope that her life was full of joy, and her quirky humor, to the end. I offer my sincere condolences to you all. Big Steve was a wonderful person.

Best regards, Joe Lodge

PS: Thanks Diane for letting Al use your Austin Healy "bug"!

Joe Lodge - July 28, 2014 at 01:16 PM



“ What a wonderful woman and an even better " Mother in law. " Love , Brent

Brent Warner - July 28, 2014 at 08:13 AM