



Frances Barnard

July 29, 1920 - January 22, 2013

Frances Fleming Barnard

was born on July 29, 1920 in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. Franny was the daughter of Colonel Samuel W. Fleming Jr and Sarah Hastings Fleming and the granddaughter of Pennsylvania Governor Daniel and Jane Hastings of Belfonte, Pennsylvania. She died peacefully in Gladwyne, Pennsylvania on January 22, 2013 from complications of a stroke. She attended Seiler School in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, Oldfields School in Maryland and Pembridge School of Art in London, England.

Married to the late George Barnard for 61 years, Franny enjoyed a wonderful life with her husband, her three sons, and extended family from the Harrisburg area. Following marriage to George on January 30 1942, Franny stayed in Harrisburg and supported the war effort while George served as an officer in the Army during World War II in the North African campaign against the Germans. At the conclusion of the war, Franny and George moved to Philadelphia and began raising a family. Franny also volunteered as a nurse's aide at Bryn Mawr Hospital, Meals on Wheels and assisted with reading for the Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church's Tutoring Program for inner city youth. She was a member of the Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church for 64 years and

served two terms as a Church trustee as well as a member of the Church's personnel committee. Franny participated in countless benefits and fundraisers for St Christopher's Children's Hospital, and was an active leader of the Garden Club of America's Philadelphia Chapter and for the Philadelphia Antique Shows.

Franny was a gifted tennis player having won numerous competitive titles as a member at The Merion Cricket Club, The Courts and the Edgartown Yacht Club. Franny and George loved the outdoors and travelled extensively as campers, dude ranchers, skiers, golfers as well as general tourists to far-away destinations

In the 1920's, Franny began summering in Edgartown, Martha's Vineyard, with her parents and siblings. Franny loved the Vineyard and, in 1979, she and George brought a piece of property on Chappaquiddick. It became a magnet for the entire Barnard clan with boat picnics, sailing in her Herreshoff, clamming and playing golf and tennis being her favorite activities.

Frances Fleming Barnard was predeceased by her husband George and sister Barbara Fleming Reily. She is survived by her brother, Samuel W. Fleming III, her three devoted sons, George, Jr. (Barney), Henry (Whits) and Samuel (Sam), their wives Pat, Susie and Soo, and seven grandchildren.

A memorial service is planned for Franny at the Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church at 625 Montgomery Ave, Bryn Mawr, PA at 1pm on Saturday February 9th. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in her name to the Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church's Tutoring program.

Previous Events

Service

FEB 9. 1:00 PM (ET)

Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church
625 Montgomery Avenue
Bryn Mawr, PA