



Georgia Barclay Hansen

August 18, 1930 - May 7, 2014

Georgia Barclay Hansen, wife of Gerald J. (Jerry) Hansen, Jr. , of Gladwyne, PA, passed away peacefully Wednesday afternoon, May 7, 2014 surrounded by her family. Born on August 18, 1930 and raised in Cynwyd, PA, she was the daughter of George and Louyse (Warfield) Barclay. She attended Lower Merion High School and graduated from the University of Pennsylvania in 1952.

Following Jerry's service in the Navy, they lived in Gladwyne, PA and started a family. During her years in Gladwyne, she focused on nurturing and raising her four children and lovingly caring for her mother. She taught Sunday School and chaired Azalea Day for St. Christopher's Church. Always a great athlete, Georgia was an avid racquet sports player; she was at her best alongside her enthusiastic tennis partner, Jerry.

In the spirit of partnership, she supported the family's move to Simsbury, CT in 1975 when Jerry accepted a leadership position at Trinity College. Her kind and loving nature allowed her to readily establish new and lasting relationships in Connecticut. As always going above and beyond, she openly embraced Trinity as her own. Trinity recognized her contributions by awarding her the Trinity College 175th Anniversary Award and the Eigenbrodt Cup, the greatest honor that can be bestowed on Trinity Alumni; she was the first Non-Alumnus and woman ever to be honored.

She shared her gifts and talents well beyond the Trinity community, serving The Village for Families and Children for 20 years, including presiding as Vice Chair of the Board; volunteer and member of the Executive Board for the Women's Committee of the Wadsworth Atheneum; member of the Executive Board of the Friends of the Simsbury Public Library; and member of the Simsbury Garden Club. Her creative and entrepreneurial nature led her to open her own Gift Boutique, which she ran for over 25 years.

In addition to gardening, woodworking and music, Georgia loved the ocean and sailing and gathering family and friends at their house on Cape Cod. The only thing more beautiful than Georgia's radiant smile was her kind spirit and inherent faith in the goodness of people. She also exhibited incredible bravery and resilience through many health-related challenges.

In addition to her husband of 62 years, Georgia is survived by four children, Gerald "Trip" Hansen, III (Chris), Pamela Hansen Platt (Clayton), Barclay Hansen (Barbara), and Todd Hansen (Susan); and fifteen grandchildren, as well as her brother, John Kennedy Warfield Barclay (Peggy).

A memorial service will be held at 2 pm on Saturday, May 17, 2014 at St. Christopher's Church, 226 Righters Mill Rd, Gladwyne, PA. In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts may be made to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, 4600 Park Rd. Suit 100, Charlotte, NC 28209 or <http://www.cff.org/Tribute/georgiahansen>.

Cemetery Details

St. Christopher's Episcopal Churchyard

Gladwyne, PA 19035

Previous Events

Memorial Service

MAY 17 (ET)

St. Christopher's Episcopal Church
226 Righters Mill Road
Gladwyne, PA 19035