



Roxie Melikian

February 10, 1922 - January 21, 2014

Roxie Melikian (nee Bozoian) of Haverford PA, peacefully passed away January 21, 2014 just 3 weeks shy of her 92nd birthday. She was born in Detroit on Feb 10, 1922 but her immigrant parents moved to upstate NY when she was 3, where she was raised on a dairy farm. She attended Salem College and moved to Philadelphia for work as a medical technician. She met her husband K. Cyrus Melikian and they married in 1945 while he was still in the U.S. Army Air Corps. Upon his discharge, Cyrus co-founded Rudd-Melikian, Inc., a successful coffee machine company. So Roxie was able to dedicate herself to being a devoted wife and full time mother. She quickly became a very active volunteer with her children's schools and many organizations including Republican Women and Hannah Penn.

She had a keen sense of style and was a studied scholar of Period furniture, European and Asian antiques, Oriental rugs, Opera, and Classical Music. She even tried and enjoyed painting.

Roxie was influenced by classic French cuisine and as a result learned and became a classic chef. She and Cyrus entertained a great deal at their Gladwyne home Il Nido where they hosted many large events and fundraisers. She had an extraordinary palette, especially for wine tasting and was often described as a super taster by fellow members in the International Bacchus Society, a wine and food society which they belonged to since 1972. Longtime members of Aronomink Golf Club, Roxie was an avid trophy winning trap shooter.

When her children were grown, she started a new career at Gladwyne Travel Service for many years.

Her greatest love was for her family. She is survived by her three children Robert (Susan Hohnsbeen), Karen, and Michele Lockwood (Paul); her six grandchildren - Alexander, Anayis and Armen Melikian; Hunter and Caroline Harrison; Pearce Lockwood and by her sister Mary Bozoian. She is predeceased by a son Cyrus Jr. and her husband K Cyrus Melikian.

Her funeral was held Saturday January 25, 2014 at Saint Gregory the Illuminator Armenian Apostolic Church, 8701 Ridge Avenue, Philadelphia. Memorial donations may be made to The Armenian Students Association to the benefit of the K. Cyrus and Roxie Melikian Memorial Scholarship. 333 Atlantic Avenue, Warwick RI. 02888.

Previous Events

The family will receive guests

JAN 25. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Gregory The Illuminator Armenian Apostolic Church
8701 Ridge Avenue
Philadelphia, PA

Funeral Service

JAN 25. 11:00 AM (ET)

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