



Virginia Haft

June 25, 1924 - April 12, 2008

Virginia Gilles Haft

Virginia G. Haft of Wynnewood, Pennsylvania died on April 12, 2008; she was 83.

Virginia (Ginny) was born June 25, 1924 in Colorado Springs, Colorado to Frank and Myrle Gates Gilles. She married Harold Haft on August 7, 1950 in New York City. She attended Colorado College (1942-46) and graduated cum laude with a Bachelor of Arts in Music. Ginny came East after graduation and worked as a piano teacher, camp counselor, pianist for a trio, solo singer-pianist, and music library cataloger. While obtaining a Master of Philosophy in Musicology at Columbia University, she was awarded a Fulbright scholarship to Paris (1950-51), where, at the Sorbonne, she researched the works of Cherubini. Ginny continued to work as a cataloger in the music library of Columbia University in order to support her family while her husband completed a neurosurgical residency, until 1959, when he went into practice. Daughter Adele was born in 1952 and son Bruce in 1956. Ginny was a homemaker, raising and guiding her children. When they were grown, she worked as a secretary for her husband, and later opened a music studio teaching piano and music elements for beginners.

Ginny was fond of gardening, home decoration, traveling, writing poetry, and supporting her husband in his practice.

Survivors include her husband; daughter Adele Haft Zinovich (husband, Jordan), a professor of Classics, of Brooklyn, NY; son Bruce (wife, Eli), an

electrical engineer, of Collegeville, PA; and a grandson, Lleyton.

Interment will be in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Services are private. Memorial contributions may be made in her name -- to Delaware County Memorial Hospital Cancer Center, 501 Landsdowne Avenue, Drexel Hill, PA 19026.

Tribute Wall



“ Dear Dr. Haft & Family,

So sorry to hear of the passing of your dear wife and mother. My thoughts and prayers are with you at this most difficult time.

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