



Georgette G McDermott

October 17, 1923 - November 5, 2018

Georgette (Gerre) McDermott Born in Nashua, NH on October 17, 1923, Gerre crossed over to the other shore on November 5, 2018. She was 95 and survived her husband John F. McDermott, as well as brothers, Lionel and Ronald, and sister, Lucille. Her surviving children Chris and Karen remember her fondly as the patient, loving mother who always had a positive word for everyone and who could tame a lion with her gentle, firm response to every provocation. Gerre was the daughter of Joseph Girouard and Rosanna Gaudreau, both of Nashua, N.H. Growing up in the era of the Great Depression (1930s), Gerry enjoyed big band music and going to the beach in summer. Her photos from that era show her as glamorous, a beautiful gal. During the war years, Gerry managed office correspondence for a local company and continued her college study at a community school nearby. In 1949, she married returned veteran John McDermott and began raising a family. She helped her husband complete college and send two children to college, managing an insurance office and running a household. Gerre supported her husband in every way imaginable, encouraging him to fish and hunt, and putting game on the table. She enjoyed antiques, bridge and cooking for the family. As counterpoint to her husband, Gerry would remain calm and usually get the last word in family matters. Proof that the loudest voice is not the most influential. She led the family in moves to Appleton, Wisconsin, and to Framingham, Massachusetts when her husband's job required it. Gerre lived a long and gracious life, and she will be remembered

as a kind, gentle and loving soul. An on-site memorial will be available at the St. Johns Family. St Johns Family Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Tribute Wall

CR

“ Nana figures in all my favorite childhood memories. Summers and Christmases in Maine were idyllic childhood stuff. Swimming, fishing, exploring the Maine woods. We'd come home from one adventure or another in the Maine woods and there she'd be, table set with food the likes of which I've not had since, though we've spent the last week or so trying to recreate some of the foods with varying degrees of success. I think she sometimes felt overshadowed by my boisterous grandfather, but her quiet presence was a constant; steady and gentle, always there. She will be missed...

Cory Rodriguez - November 22, 2018 at 12:00 AM

PG

“ My fondest memory of my Aunt Georgette was her unmistakable love for her husband John and of course John cherishing the very ground she walked on. It was so apparent to me, even at a young age, how deeply dedicated they were to each other and in turn their children. As stated by others, she was indeed one of the gentlest and calmest people I have encountered and am proud to have been her Godchild! Rest In Peace Aunt Georgette and say hello to my Dad for me!

Peter Girouard - November 22, 2018 at 12:00 AM

KM

“ Mom was one of the gentlest souls I've ever known. I never heard her voice raised in anger and no doubt, Dad, Chris and I gave her no end of provocation throughout our lives. She was also incredibly selfdisciplineddiet, exercise, budget, entertainment. Her one big indulgence,the one where she just let loose was lobster. I'm not sure I ever saw her stop while any lobster remained on the table! And she was a pit bull about the body and little claws. The day after our feasts she (and anybody she could recruit) painstakingly picked out every shred of edible meat from the carcasses. Out of that mess came the best ever lobster rolls or lobster salad! Mom was also courageous....she quietly underwent treatment for colorectal cancer in the midseventies. Once it was over, she put it behind her and never mentioned it again. She didnt like to draw attention to herself except in one way: Mom was always the best dressed in any room at any time of her life. From mini to maxi, high boots to platforms, she knew what was in.....of course she wore the "in" thing in her own classic Gerre way. Mom, we'll miss your beautiful smile. You were such a kind and calming presence in so many lives.

Karen McDermott - November 20, 2018 at 12:00 AM

RL

“ I have so many fond childhood memories with Nana and eating her delicious meals! Countless special and magical Maine nights I owe to her, and her willingness to put up with grampa's shenanigans! One of the last special times I remember was visiting in Florida, getting Chinese buffet, and then staying up late getting repeatedly spanked at cribbage; she was good!... And lucky! So glad to have her for such a thoughtful, sometimes quiet, but impactful and moving grandmother! Can her her voice so clearly in my thoughts....

Remy Lamberts - November 14, 2018 at 12:00 AM

MW

“ Dear Chris, my deep condolences to you and your family. Your mother leaves quite a legacy and no doubt was enormously proud of you. Blessings. Michelle

Michelle Ward-Brent - November 10, 2018 at 12:00 AM

EL

“ A funny lady. Fond memories of her quiet smile. Mixed feelings about her death, it sounds like it was probably peaceful. A life well lived....

Eric Lamberts - November 09, 2018 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ We have great memories to share, from childhood in Nashua, NH, to our teen years in Appleton, WI, and then so many beautiful family gatherings in Maine. I see we are missing some photos - of Remy roaring his big wheel in the Bridgton, ME home, sunsets in northern Maine, and others. I encourage all who knew Mom to leave us with a few kind words and a shared memory. Thank you.

Chris McDermott - November 08, 2018 at 12:00 AM

MR

“ Sincere condolences to Chris and McDermott family.

Maria Rendon - November 08, 2018 at 12:00 AM