



Ms. Catherine M. Menard

December 16, 1934 - September 24, 2019

Mrs. Catherine M. Menard, of Pittsfield, passed away on Tuesday, September 24, 2019. Born in Pittsfield, MA, on December 16, 1934, the daughter of the late Oscar and Bertha Young Menard, she graduated from St. Joseph High School in 1952. She attended St. Luke's School of Nursing and then went on to take classes at Berkshire Community College.

After school, Catherine traveled the world, following her first husband, Thomas Lawson, on his journey with the United States Air Force. Together they went from Turkey to California, and then to Great Barrington, MA., where they settled.

Catherine was a devoted mother who was always there for her children. She enjoyed farming very much. She was the proud owner of the well-known Chanticleer Christmas Tree Farm, where she was born and raised. She also dabbled in poultry farming (she was a tough 'ole bird). Amongst many other things, Catherine was a lifeguard at Springside Park and a Girl Scout leader. She enjoyed spending time at home watching golf and The Big Bang Theory with her closest nephew, Rick Gingras. She spoke two languages, loved the ocean, roller-skating, and her eccentric personality influenced many people. Ms. Menard was a member of St. Mark's Church.

Besides her children; Thomas "Woody" Lawson III, Beth Lawson Rothweiler, Greg Lawson, and Christopher Lawson, she is survived by her grandchildren; Brittney Rothweiler, Mia Rothweiler, Greg Lawson Jr., and Levi Lawson. She also leaves behind several nieces and nephews. Catherine is also survived by

her Fresh Air sons, Jacinto Cruz and Corey Alexander. Catherine was predeceased by her siblings; Alfred Menard, Louise Menard Gingras, and Elaine Menard Harris.

Funeral Notice:

Funeral services for Ms. Catherine Menard will be Saturday, October 5, 2019 at 1 p.m. at the Dwyer Funeral Home, with Rev. Christopher Fedoryshyn, Administrator of St. Mark's Church, officiating. Burial will be at a later date. Calling hours will be held at the funeral home prior to the service, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the American Red Cross or The Fresh Air Fund in care of the Dwyer Funeral Home, 776 North St., Pittsfield, MA 01201 in her memory. Please visit www.dwyerfuneral.com to leave condolences and remembrances.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 5. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Dwyer Family Funeral Home
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Service

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Tribute Wall

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“ On a bright, warm summer day in June 1997, my Mom and I drove out to Chanticleer Farm to adopt one of the many Siamese kittens Cathy raised with so much love....our beautiful "Shadow" was a member of our family for nine years. Cathy genuinely cared for animals-it was obvious in the cats' appearance and demeanor....she educated us about Siamese cats, and also wanted to ensure we were suitable owners. Take care of yourselves....

Judith Anne Crowell - October 03, 2019 at 07:56 AM