



## Mrs. Judith Hill Kittredge

November 25, 1931 - August 10, 2021

Judy Kittredge, 89, of Lenox, formerly of Dalton, died in her sleep on August 10, 2021, following a brief battle with pancreatic cancer.

Daughter of Judith Brand and Kenneth Noyes Hill, she was born in Boston but grew up mainly in Dalton and Pittsfield, attending Redfield Elementary and Plunkett Junior High Schools. She then graduated from Miss Hall's School and Smith College (1953).

Judy was above all else a people person. She was famous for remembering everything, it seemed, about everyone she'd ever met and many she hadn't, and exactly how, amazingly often, they were connected. She was genuinely interested in people's lives.

That interest served her well in her role as a personnel manager at Harvard University, 1953-69. She was responsible for finding assistants and secretaries for faculty and administrators.

It was while at Harvard that Judy reconnected with her future husband, John Kittredge, also of Dalton and Pittsfield. Their first date was the famous 1968 Yale-Harvard football game in which Harvard, the underdog, scored 16 points in the final 42 seconds to tie the game. As the Harvard paper put it, "Harvard Beats Yale, 29-29." John teased her about hiring the referees through her office at Harvard.

John was a very loyal Yalie. Nonetheless he and Judy were married the next year. They raised three children in Pittsfield and Dalton: Caroline Furey Kittredge of Sunapee, NH, Christopher John Kittredge (wife Nancy) of

Falmouth, ME, and Judy Kittredge Anderson (husband Brian) of Reading, MA. They helped to raise four stand-out granddaughters: Elizabeth Rose Kittredge Lovett of Watertown, MA, Isabelle Crane Kittredge Lovett of Concord, NH, Alice Wallis Kittredge of Bradenton, FL and Martha Jane Kittredge of Falmouth, ME.

Along the way, Judy volunteered with many Berkshire organizations, including the Zenas Crane Scholarship Fund. She served as a trustee of Miss Hall's and in various volunteer roles at Smith. She worked on the acid rain problem for the Berkshire Garden Club and was active in the 'T' Club. She was an ardent tennis player into her 80's and, until the day before she died, regularly rivaled the contestants on Jeopardy.

Judy is survived by her children, grandchildren and by her devoted sister, Lee Stookey (husband Byron) of Brattleboro, VT. She will be remembered fondly by the innumerable friends from all parts of her life including her neighbors in recent years at Kimball Farms Retirement Community.

#### Funeral Notice:

A celebration of Judy's life is planned for Saturday, September 11, 2021 at 11:00 at First Congregational Church of Dalton, where she and John were active members for many years. To best ensure everybody's health, due to the recent rise of Covid cases, all those attending the service will be required to wear a face mask. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to HospiceCare in the Berkshires or Miss Hall's School, both in Pittsfield.

# Previous Events

## Service

SEP **11**. 11:00 AM (ET)

First Congregational Church of Dalton  
514 Main Street  
Dalton , MA 01226

# Tribute Wall



“ 97 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



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**Dwyer Funeral Home Inc.** - September 10, 2021 at 11:13 AM

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“ *My deepest sympathy to all of the family. Judy was such a beautiful presence in any situation. She always had a bright smile to greet you and made one feel very special. Her love of family, Miss Hall's and Smith College were paramount. God bless you in your grief. Her living spirit will always be with you.*

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**William Frazier** - August 17, 2021 at 08:15 AM

MM

“ Dear Lee: So sorry to read in today's Boston Globe about Judy. She was the life of every party with her wonderful laugh and, even more in private, with her stories about Old Pittsfield, which of course meant Everyone who was Anyone.. I didn't know her at MHS as she had graduated .the June before the Crane Twins and I entered. Last saw her at the memorial lunch for Franny Colt, my dear old riding friend at the Pittsfield Polo Club, where Franny was the official scorer and I the official timer for the home games on Crane Field, captained by Franny's father Zene Colt.. My sister-in-law Nancy Miller treasured Judy as a member of T Club, of which my mother was also a member. Deepest sympathy and much love from, Margo Miller, Boston.

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**Margo Miller** - August 14, 2021 at 10:54 AM

MH

“ Judy was one of my favorite people. A great tennis enthusiast, we met across the court on many occasions. Most of all, her smile was always welcoming. My sympathies to her family.  
Mary Howard

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**mary Howard** - August 14, 2021 at 10:19 AM

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“ Judy was a very special lady and JoAnn and I want offer our sincere condolences to the family.  
I have many fond memories of both Judy and John. They were indeed a unique and special couple.  
Judy always asked about the family and remembered all of our children's names. She always greeted me with a smile and a hug.  
We were truly blessed to have known her.

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**Wayne Cronnell** - August 14, 2021 at 10:05 AM

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*Judy will be remembered for her incredible good humor and warm personality. We were forever friends it will be really hard to realize she is not a phone call away.*

*God bless you my dearest friend.*

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**Ann Talbot Ittner** - September 13, 2021 at 11:13 AM