



Mrs. Norma Phelps Washburn

May 18, 1923 - January 8, 2021

Norma Phelps Washburn, 97, of Craneville Place in Dalton, passed away on Friday, January 8, 2021. Born in Pittsfield, MA on May 18, 1923, she was the daughter of John and Bridget Morrissey Phelps. Norma graduated from St. Joseph's High School in 1942.

Norma retired from G. E. Ordinance with 33½ years of service in 1985. She was also a member of the GE Quarter Century Club. She was a member of St. Agnes Church in Dalton. Norma was also a member of Pontoosuc Country Club. Norma and Jim spent many winters in Myrtle Beach golfing.

Norma's life was her family who she truly loved and her special husband, Jim. Jim & Norma would have celebrated their 77th wedding anniversary on July 31, 2020. Jim passed away on January 31, 2020.

Norma leaves two children, James L. Washburn, Jr. and his wife, Christine of Lexington, SC. And her daughter, Joanne Washburn Rowett and her husband, Peter of Pittsfield, MA.

She leaves six grandchildren, Scott Washburn and his significant other, Shelby Powell and Todd Washburn of Pittsfield, MA, Tami White and Jason Rowett of Pittsfield, MA and Amanda Washburn Forbus and her husband, Geoff of Mount Pleasant, SC and Brent Washburn and his wife, Jenna of Asheville, NC.

She also leaves 12 great grandchildren, Scott Washburn, Zachary Washburn and his wife, Maegan, Ryan Washburn, Connor Washburn, Allison Washburn, Sarah White, Kellie Wilson and her husband Kameron, Brooks Forbus, Piper

Forbus, Myah Washburn and Jax Washburn. and one great-great granddaughter, Paetyn Washburn. She also leaves several nieces and nephews.

Besides her beloved husband, Norma was predeceased by one brother George E. Morrissey, and five sisters, Mary McGuire, Irene Morrissey, Helen Lester, and Alice Aurswald all of Pittsfield and Winifred Kelly of Dalton.

Norma's family would like to thank the staff at Craneville Place for their kind care the last few days of her life. We would also like to thank, Patrick Bramer and the staff at Sugar Hill who were there for Jim & Norma for the past two years. A special thank you to HospiceCare in the Berkshires for taking such good care of Norma during her last days.

Funeral Notice:

Due to COVID restrictions, there will be no calling hours for Mrs. Norma Phelps Washburn. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to HospiceCare in the Berkshires in care of Dwyer Funeral Home, 776 North Street, Pittsfield, MA 01201. A celebration of life will be held at a later date, when Covid restrictions are lifted and all are able to safely gather together. Donations CANNOT be made online, but may be made through the Dwyer Funeral Home.

Tribute Wall


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“ Joanne and Jim and Families - so sorry to hear about Norma. I wish I had called her at Christmas time like I planned to. We had so many crazy years working together at GE. Your Mom and June were like my second mothers. We all had such fun times. She was always taking care of everyone. Please accept my sincere condolences and I'm sure she is happy and content being with the love of her life again. God bless you all.

Betty Parish

Betty Parish - January 16, 2021 at 08:07 PM

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“ Joanne and family,
Please except my thoughts n prayers...I have great memories of mom and gram from
Benedict Rd...hold your memories close to your heart always...

Paula Wood Ryan - January 14, 2021 at 08:30 PM

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“ Dear Jim and Joanne and the entire Washburn family

We are so sorry to hear about Norma. We spent many wonderful years with her and Jim at the Stone Mill Condo's at various picnics, their 70th wedding Anniversary and just daily fun times at the Gazebo. May the years of wonderful memories help you through this difficult time. Rest in peace Norma. We will miss her.

*Pat, Mary and Greg Taylor
Vero Beach, FL*

Mary E Taylor - January 13, 2021 at 07:50 PM