



Molly R. Boody

December 15, 1926 - January 26, 2018

Molly R. Boody, age 91, died Friday, January 26, 2018, at her home surrounded by her husband, her six living children, and two grandchildren. She was born December 15, 1926, in Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania, the daughter of the late James and Hazel Ryan.

Molly married her high school sweetheart Bob November 26, 1947, when he was home on leave from the United States Navy. During their 70 years as husband and wife, they experienced many happy moments: the birth of seven children, family vacations both on land and on water, school activities, touring France, Italy, and Ireland with Bob as the chauffeur, visiting the British Virgin Islands via a 33-foot sailboat on three separate occasions, and retirement not only in Florida, but also Delaware; and a very devastating moment, the death of son David.

Molly's love of her family was apparent to anyone who met her. She proudly shared news of her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. Even though none of them live near Bob and Molly, for many years, one early December weekend was set aside for all of them to gather for a traditional Boody Christmas, but then they returned to their homes for the Christmas traditions they had been encouraged to establish with their spouses and children. Molly's devotion to her family and organizational skills were evident every night at 6 p.m. when a cooked meal was served family style to the family of nine and each morning when seven brown bags were lined up on the kitchen counter with not only each child's name but also in the order that each

left for school.

Their devotion to their mother was equally apparent in memories shared and with the established telephone schedule to ensure Molly received a call each day of the week from a different child.

When the children were in school, Molly was active in PTA activities as well as Sunday School and church activities. Once Bob and Molly moved to Delaware, she volunteered at Nanticoke Memorial Hospital, helped with activities sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of Delmar and eventually became a Kiwanian, and continued her involvement with church activities at All Saints Episcopal Church.

Molly is survived by her husband of 70 years, Robert (Bob) Boody, of Delmar, DE; children Susan Johnson, of Maryland, Daniel Boody, of Florida, Barbara Randolph (Randy) of Tennessee, Elizabeth Blanton (Joe), of Florida, Margaret Greenwood (Jim), of Florida, and Stephen Boody (Dawn) of Pennsylvania; grandchildren Jeneen Schuber, Kristine and Christopher Johnson, Robert Manjura-Boody, Renee Ford, Theodore Halter, Kyle and Samuel Greenwood, Amanda Donoho, and David Boody; great-grandchildren Brandon, Joseph, and Jewlyn Kamrud, Alex Alsum, and Abby, Owen, and Mason Donoho; nephew Donald Shollenberger; and brother-in-law William Boody.

Parents James and Hazel Ryan, son David, sister Dawn Benke, and brother Robert Ryan predeceased Molly.

A memorial service is scheduled for Saturday, April 14, 2018, at 11 a.m. at All Saints Episcopal Church, 100 North 10th Street, Delmar, DE 19940. The Reverend Kenneth F. Athey, Jr. will officiate. Memorial contributions may be made in her memory to: All Saints Episcopal Church, P.O. Box 88, Delmar, DE 19940.

Previous Events

Service

APR **14**. 11:00 AM (ET)

All Saints Episcopal Church
Grove & 10th Streets
Delmar, DE

Tribute Wall



“ *Molly R. Boody*

January 29, 2023 at 01:28 PM



“ *Dear Bob and family,*

We send our deepest sympathy to all of you.

Molly has held a special place in our hearts for many years going back to high school days. We have shared many memories over a long period of time. We have been blessed to have stayed in touch all this time and shared this love. Molly's optimism and Faith were always present . We share your loss. Our rich memories will always be there.

We will be thinking of you in April but doubt we will be able to be there.

God bless you and give you strength.

Love,

Betty and Joe Helwig

Joe and Betty Helwig - February 11, 2018 at 02:39 PM



“ *Aunt Molly was a lovely lady. She was wise and loving and a pleasure to be around. She will be missed. 💕💕*

Don and Molly Shollenberger - February 02, 2018 at 10:19 PM



“ *A childhood and an adulthood filled with the most amazing memories of this beautiful woman. Weekends and summers on the boat, canning vegetables grown in her garden, dresses for school, listening to her stories about all of us as kids (never the same story twice!), and just enjoying the serenity of being in her presence. She gave me eye color (green eyes have it, thank you!), her wit, and as I told her the night before she passed, a little sass. My grandmother was a remarkable, kind hearted, loving soul who touched the lives of everyone she met. I miss her terribly, but find solace in the fact that she is still with me and I remain forever grateful and blessed for the times I had with her. Saint Mary, you are home.*

Jeneen Schuber - February 01, 2018 at 04:21 PM

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“ *Not just one memory, but too many to count. A Great and Beautiful person who will be missed by all. Thoughts and prayers are with her family. Ann and Keith*

Ann and Keith Jones - January 31, 2018 at 04:13 PM