



Rebekah D. Sturgis

April 29, 1932 - January 16, 2016

DELMAR- Rebekah D. Sturgis, 83, of Delmar and Salisbury died Saturday, January 16, 2016 at Coastal Hospice at the Lake in Salisbury.

She was born April 29, 1932 in Buffalo, New York, a daughter of the late Cyrus L. Dirickson and Frances H. Dirickson.

In 1946 she moved to the Eastern Shore with her family and finished high school at Wicomico High School, graduating with the class of 1950. She completed two years of college at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro before marrying Lt. Jack H. Sturgis of Eastville, Virginia and Salisbury. After raising her children, she attended Salisbury State University, receiving a Bachelor of Arts degree in Liberal Studies and Masters in Education. She then entered the workforce as an addictions counselor and ended her working career as an administrator. After 34 years of marriage she divorced, remaining good friends with her ex-husband until his death in 1998. Her primary interests were music, the visual arts and horses. She played piano and organ, painted and photographed. During her thirties she was an active horse-woman, riding with various organizations.

She is survived by three sons and their wives, Carroll and Sandra Sturgis of Crisfield, Hunter Scott and Linda Sturgis of Milford and John and Laura Sturgis of Harleysville, Pennsylvania; grandchildren, Jessica Koltuk and husband, Mustafa and Kristina Arndt and husband, Christopher, Robert Sturgis and Abigail Sturgis; great grandchildren, Christopher and Zeynep; a sister, Marjorie Ressler of Camden, Delaware; and several nieces and

nephews.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by two brothers, Cyrus B. and William Dirickson.

A memorial service will be held on Thursday, February 4, 2015 at 3:00 p.m. at Short Funeral Home in Delmar, where family and friends may call from 2:00 to 3:00. Pastor Lebron Palmer will officiate.

Memorial contributions may be made in her memory to Delmar Public Library, 101 Bi-state Boulevard, Delmar, DE 19940.

Arrangements are in the care of Short Funeral Home, Delmar. Please visit www.shortfh.com to send online condolences to the family.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 4. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Short Funeral Home
13 East Grove Street
Delmar, DE 19940
(302) 846-2525
info@shortfh.com

Service

FEB 4. 3:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

SS

“ *Carroll, Scott, and John, I was out of town last week and am so sorry I missed the service. Your Mom was a very special lady - I am very fortunate to have had contact with her over the last few years. Stay in touch. Love you all. Sue ("Aunt Sue" for you Scott.)*

Sue Sherwood - February 08, 2016 at 11:53 AM

LS

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Linda Sturgis - January 28, 2016 at 08:34 PM

TB

“ *God Bless all of the family. Becky was my very good friend and I will miss her.*

Teresa Boothe

Teresa Boothe - January 28, 2016 at 02:21 PM

MM

“ *Wishing you comfort and peace at this difficult time. Becky was always an inspiration to me, I am so thankful to have a few of her paintings.*

Myrna McGrath - January 26, 2016 at 01:01 PM

BM

“ Please accept our sincere sympathy during this bereavement. Becky will always be a part of our lives. She was so much fun.

Ben & Rex

Ben Reed and Rex McNiel - January 25, 2016 at 12:29 PM

AR

“ To Becki's Family--I am so sorry for your loss. I lived in Delmar and was friends with Becki when she went to St. Peters and for a bit afterward. I deeply regret that I lost touch with her. I loved her sense of humor. She was deeply spiritual. I admired her art and beadwork. She was a special person.

Alicia Robinson - January 25, 2016 at 11:32 AM

AR

“ Alicia Robinson lit a candle in memory of Rebekah D. Sturgis



Alicia Robinson - January 25, 2016 at 11:22 AM

AR

Becky was a wonderful woman--bright, artistic, giving. Her faith was deep. God bless her soul. My deepest sympathies to her family.

Alicia Robinson - January 25, 2016 at 11:24 AM

SU

“ *Susan Pedersen Upole lit a candle in memory of Rebekah D. Sturgis*



Susan Pedersen Upole - January 22, 2016 at 10:27 AM

SS

“ *Steven R. Shaner lit a candle in memory of Rebekah D. Sturgis*



Steven R. Shaner - January 21, 2016 at 09:21 AM

SR

“ *Ms Becky, you'll forever be missed!!*

Sissy Russell - January 21, 2016 at 08:09 AM

PG

“ *Penny Abbott Glasgow lit a candle in memory of Rebekah D. Sturgis*



Penny Abbott Glasgow - January 20, 2016 at 11:15 PM