



Carol Ann Tilton

June 28, 1936 - February 9, 2018

Rye - Carol Ann (Spencer) Tilton, 81, passed away peacefully on Feb. 9, 2018 at the Edgewood Centre in Portsmouth, following a lengthy battle with Parkinson's disease. Her loving family was by her side.

She was born June 28, 1936 in Cleveland, TN, a daughter of the late Edith Marie and Elwood "Spence" Spencer. Her family eventually settled on Martha's Vineyard where Carol grew up. An appreciation of the arts from an early age led her to become an accomplished dancer and poet. She graduated as Valedictorian, Class of 1954 at the Tisbury School and married her high school sweetheart, David Tilton of Chilmark.

After the birth of their first child, the family moved to Roseville, MN where they raised five children and started a successful power equipment import and distribution business. As the company grew, the family relocated to Rye in 1971 to establish a foothold in the northeast. From the inception of the business, Carol worked tirelessly to help ensure its success. Her dedication and work ethic were extraordinary and she, with her husband, strove to build a business that was reputable, ethical and prosperous for more than four decades.

Carol, a breast cancer survivor, was a fiercely devoted Mother, Wife, Grandmother and Great Grandmother. She will be remembered for her grace,

humility and generosity. A selfless and caring person, she always put others first. Although she lived a quiet life, many were touched by her kindness.

She is survived by her husband of 64 years, David Tilton of Rye; children, David Tilton Jr. and wife Kimberly of Newmarket, Desiree Tilton of Dover, Daniel Tilton and wife LuEllen of Strafford, Deidre Sanborn of Hampden, ME and Dawn Tarmey and husband John "Beany" of Galavants Ferry, SC; grandchildren, Tyler Buchanan, Meghan Tarmey, Camille (Tilton) Sims, David Tilton III, Bryan Buchanan, Benjamin Tilton, Kendra (Tilton) Murphy, Rachel Buchanan, Carrie Tilton, Zebulon Sanborn, Jason Tarmey, John Tarmey; Great Grandchildren, Jason Tarmey Jr., Declan, Isla and Eamon Sims and Owen Buchanan and son-in-law Craig Sanborn of Old Town, ME.

In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by her sister Sylvan Spencer of Evanston, IL,

The family would like to thank The Edgewood Centre and especially the wonderful caregivers who treated Carol with great kindness and respect.

Visitation will be held from 11 AM to 12 noon on Thursday, February, 15, 2018 in the Remick & Gendron Funeral Home-Crematory, 811 Lafayette Road, Hampton, NH. A Celebration of Life will immediately follow at 12 noon in the funeral home. A private family burial will take place in Chilmark, MA at a later date. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests a donation to the Michael J Fox Foundation for Parkinsons Research (https://www.michaeljfox.org/get-involved/donation2.php?pg=6&utm_source=adwords_paid&utm_medium=cpc&utm_content=fundraising&utm_campaign=sem_general_donations_006&s_src=sem_general_donations_006&s_subsrc=adwords_paid&smcid=apa30U00000004d6C&gclid=CjwKCAiAk4XUBRB5EiwAHBLUMTpUVfHzL7aJAE1eiBm1A03_zseMERiQ8QjE7qFF3sffaHR4sY-JsBoCi14QAvD_BwE) Grand Central Station, P.O. Box 4777, New York, NY 10163-4777.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **15**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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Celebration of Life

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Tribute Wall



“ *Carol Ann Tilton*

September 18, 2022 at 12:49 AM



“ *Dawn and family,*

I'm so sorry for your loss. May beautiful memories comfort you at this sad time.

Mindy (Huffman) Hume

Mindy Huffman Hume - February 18, 2018 at 08:07 AM



“ *To David Tilton and Family, i am so sorry for your loss. Lewis Polansky*

Lewis J Polansky - February 16, 2018 at 06:36 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Carol Ann Tilton.*



February 15, 2018 at 10:14 AM

JS

“ Please accept my condolences on the passing of your Wife, Mother and or Grandmother. It was a honor to have worked / known such a wonderful, kind and gentle person. I offer my deepest sympathy to the Tilton family.

Joyce E. Snow
Exeter, New Hampshire

Joyce E. Snow - February 15, 2018 at 07:39 AM

GM

My thoughts and prayers to all of you, I first met Carol when I was going to Rye Junior High with Desiree. I always remembered how hard working she was. RIP Carol💕💕

Greta Musselle - February 16, 2018 at 09:01 PM

RM

So very sorry for your lost. Carol and I spent a lot of fun years at Tisbury school to be remembered fondly. Rita Minor

Rita Minor - February 22, 2018 at 03:04 PM



“ 41 files added to the album LifeTributes



Remick & Gendron Funeral Home - February 15, 2018 at 07:27 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Carol Ann Tilton.*



February 14, 2018 at 01:55 PM



“ *To Dave Sr. and the entire Tilton Family,
We are so sorry to hear the news of Carols
passing. She was such a great person and
well respected by all that knew her. It was an
honor to work for such a wonderful family. Our
prayers are with you all. Carol will be missed.*



Our sincerest condolences,

*Tom & Cheryl Adams
TA Equipment Company*

Tom Adams - February 13, 2018 at 02:15 PM



“ *A lovelier, more gentle woman, I have rarely known. My
condolences to the Tilton family.*

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Jean Leen

Jean M M Leen - February 13, 2018 at 11:43 AM

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“ To Carol's dear family,

What a beautiful tribute to a beautiful person! So many impressive things we did not know about, BUT...we did know what a fiercely, devoted mother she was! We first met your mother when they visited our parent's farm in Roseau during the "Homelite years". Our sincere sympathy to all of you,

Nancy (Holm) Andol - February 13, 2018 at 10:35 AM

PB

“ David,

Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this very difficult time.

Cousin Peter and Priscilla Bettencourt

Peter O. Bettencourt - February 12, 2018 at 07:14 PM