



Dorothea "Dolly" Silver

July 30, 1930 - June 6, 2022

Brentwood - Dorothea "Dolly" Silver, 91, of Brentwood and a former longtime resident of Hampton, passed away peacefully on Monday, June 6, 2022 at the Rockingham County Home. Dolly was born on July 30, 1930 in North Hampton, a daughter of the late Clarence and Doris (Woodburn) Marston.

She had 13 siblings and often referred to herself as "the last of the first seven." Her early years were spent helping to care for her younger sisters and brothers; working outside of the home assisting neighbors with domestic chores and attending school. She was very proud to earn a high school diploma. Her goal upon graduation was to enlist in the Army.... until she met and fell in love with Robert (Bob) Silver from Newfoundland, Canada, when he was working at a neighboring farm during WW II. They were married on Christmas Eve 1948 and lived in North Hampton until purchasing a home in Hampton 10 years later.

Primarily and proudly a stay-at-home mom, she often supplemented the household income by working part-time jobs and selling Avon, Tupperware and Popular Club until the children were grown and on their own. Then, as the story is told, she walked across Lafayette Road and got a job as a waitress at Newick's Restaurant on the first day it opened! She remained there for more than 20 years, very much enjoying the work, her co-workers and her customers – many regulars who requested to be served only by her.

Dolly enjoyed music, dancing and reading and instilled the appreciation of these in her children. She and Bob frequently attended dances at the Moose and Elks Clubs with family and friends. She always took great care and pride in looking her best every day, and these “dressing up” special occasions were great fun for her. She learned to knit, crochet and loved to play Bingo and travel to Foxwoods to try her luck at the slots every chance she got. She enjoyed gardening and could spot an unwanted leaf or weed in an instant. She enjoyed the company of her large extended family and friends; Silvers, Marstons and many “in-laws and outlaws” - friends and family by choice and circumstance - she met along the way and truly appreciated the help, support and guidance she received from all of them when she lost Bob, her husband of nearly 67 years in 2015. More recently, she developed a new circle of friends and admirers at Ernest Barka Assisted Living and RCRNC, who embraced and often encouraged her unfiltered wit and sassy retorts.

She leaves her daughters, Vicki and Terry; her grandchildren: Mikelle, Aimee, Melissa and Amanda; her great- grandchildren: Brody, Diem, Aubree, Vivian, Bowen, Spencer and her siblings Ralph, Shirley and Brenda. She is also survived by her sister in-law, Rosa Silver-Smith and brother in-law Louis Silver, who were as close to her as blood-relatives as well as many nieces, nephews and numerous other close folks in the US and Canada.

Dolly was predeceased by her husband Robert Silver, son Robert Anthony “Tony” Silver, daughter Donna Marie, and siblings: George, Gloria, Rosemary, Walter, Dennett, Judith, Floyd, Richard, Lucille and Keith

A graveside service is scheduled for 11 AM on Saturday, July 23, 2022 at the Center Cemetery on Post Road in North Hampton.

Cemetery Details

Center Cemetery

186 Post Road
North Hampton, NH 03862

Previous Events

Graveside Service

JUL 23. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Dorothea "Dolly" Silver*

September 18, 2022 at 12:49 AM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Dorothea "Dolly" Silver.*



July 18, 2022 at 05:13 PM



“ *Dorothea was a classmate with me at H.A. class of 1948! May God bless your family. Phyllis Stickney Hefler, Springfield, Ohio.*

Phyllis Stickney Hefler - June 14, 2022 at 08:28 PM



“ *I was saddened to hear of the passing of my friend and classmate at Hampton Academy, 1948. Dolly was a good person and long-time friend. May she rest in peace.*

Al Casassa

H Alfred Casassa - June 14, 2022 at 10:37 AM

JH

“ Although I only met Dolly briefly many years ago when I worked with Bob at the Newington School, I know he was crazy about her in every way and I’m sure he is happy to be together with her again. Two wonderful people! My sincere sympathy to Dolly’s loving family and friends.

Jeanne Haskins, Newington

Jeanne Haskins - June 12, 2022 at 08:59 AM

DK

“ Dolly,
You were 1 of 2 servers I always asked for at Newicks. May you RIP

Debbie Kiernan - June 11, 2022 at 12:07 PM

KD

“ Dolly,
You were the epitome of Grace and poise and just a beautiful woman. You could fly through a busy dining room at Newick's like a butterfly in a flower garden. I will never forget you and will miss you dearly. My condolences to your family.
Kelly Danico

Kelly Danico - June 10, 2022 at 08:15 PM

PM

“ What a marvelous job someone has done with the obituary. I assume Vicki or Terri wrote this perfect tribute for their Mother. She was all this, and so very much more. The first thing I thought when I heard was that she was reunited with the husband she loved so much. I’m so sorry, both of you, that you’ve lost her, but you have all the memories, and of course, she lives on in you and yours.

Paula Marston - June 09, 2022 at 06:44 PM

VS

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Vicki Silver - June 09, 2022 at 10:23 AM

WB

From one big family to another rest in peace my friend 💕

William bowley - June 09, 2022 at 10:31 AM

KD

They were quite an awesome couple.

Kelly Danico - June 10, 2022 at 08:16 PM

ED

“ Loved to visit Bob and Dolly on Saturdays and Sundays with my parents when we were little. Very kind and always welcomed us to their home on Tower Drive! I remember and will never ever forget their dog "Daisy"! Only dog I was not afraid of. Vicki and Terry you were both blessed with awesome parents! May God Bless Dolly and hope she and Bob are together forever!



Ellen Wilbur DeCosta - June 08, 2022 at 07:54 PM

EM

“ I am so sorry to hear about Dolly's passing. I was good friends with her son Tony, I believe Tony passed in December of 1985. I also grew up with my mother being great friends with Dolly's sister Gloria. Dolly was always one of the most beautiful women I'd ever seen. My thoughts and prayers are with the family. May the blessings of God be with you all during this difficult time. Elizabeth Marshall



Elizabeth Marshall - June 08, 2022 at 04:23 PM