



Dorothy M. Staples

June 8, 1922 - September 6, 2021

Danbury, CT – Dorothy M. Staples, 99, of Danbury, CT and formerly of North Hampton and East Kingston, NH, passed away peacefully on Monday, September 6, 2021 at her home in Danbury surrounded by her loving family. Dorothy was born on June 8, 1922 in Portsmouth, NH, the daughter of the late Chauncey M. and Marguerite (Beevers) Smith.

Raised in Portsmouth, NH, Dorothy graduated from Portsmouth High School with the Class of 1940. She went on to earn her Nursing Certificate from Deaconess Hospital Nursing School. She started her nursing career at Portsmouth Hospital, later worked for Dr. Charles Bailey and spent time as a school nurse for the town of South Hampton and North Hampton, NH. She and her late husband, Frank E. Staples, Sr., were married in 1945 and settled in Portsmouth at the Wentworth Acres before moving to North Hampton in 1949. They then resided in East Kingston for 30 years before relocating to Danbury in 2009 to be near family. Family was the most important part of Dorothy's life. She cherished the time she spent with her family, whether camping, playing Uno or Racko with the grandchildren or together with family at the cottage on North River Lake, Nottingham, NH.

Dorothy is survived by her daughter Gail Stellmach and her husband John of Waterbury, CT, son Frank Staples, Jr. and his wife Jan of New Palestine, IN, her grandchildren Matthew Stellmach and his wife Caryn, Tim Stellmach and

his fiancée Blaklee, Kelly Leonard and her husband Charles and Brian Staples and his wife Katie; and 9 great grandchildren and 1 great-great grandchild.

The family would like to give special thanks to her caregiver Dedee and the Hospice team at Ridgefield VNA.

Visitation will be from 11am to 12 pm on Saturday, April 30, 2022 in the Remick & Gendron Funeral Home - Crematory, 811 Lafayette Rd., Hampton. Services will follow at 12 pm in the funeral home. Burial will follow in the Hillside Cemetery, North Berwick, ME beside her beloved husband. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Ladies Union, United Church of Christ, 295 Atlantic Ave., North Hampton, NH 03862.

Cemetery Details

Hillside Cemetery

Sanford Road
North Berwick, NH 03906

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 30. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Remick & Gendron Funeral Home
811 Lafayette Road
Hampton, NH 03842
info@remickgendron.com
<http://www.RemickGendron.com>

Service

APR 30. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Dorothy M. Staples*

September 18, 2022 at 12:49 AM



“ *116 files added to the album LifeTributes*



Remick & Gendron Funeral Home - April 27, 2022 at 03:30 PM



“ *Like many others on this page, I remember Mrs. Staples as a very kind and caring nurse at North Hampton Elementary School in the 60's. When you scraped a knee at recess that wouldn't stop bleeding or when you were "sick to your stomach"....laying on that sort of hard, vinyl upholstered table having your temperature taken. Kind soul who must have had a lot of great stories of the students who made the trip to Mrs. Staple's office.*

Patty O'Connor - April 14, 2022 at 10:45 AM

SE

“ *Mrs. Staples was and awesome nurse. North Hampton Elementary was so lucky to have her! She patched up many a scraped knee or elbow for me. Loved by so many parents and students. My deepest sympathy to her family. Thank you for taking such great care of so many people.*

*Sara S. Eames
Formerly of North Hampton*

SARA S. EAMES - April 12, 2022 at 07:47 AM

GM

“ *Gail M. purchased the Rainbow Reflections Basket for the family of Dorothy M. Staples.*



Gail M. - April 11, 2022 at 04:15 PM

GM

“ *Gail M. purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Dorothy M. Staples.*



Gail M. - April 11, 2022 at 04:09 PM

GM

“ *Gail M. purchased the Bed of Pink Roses for the family of Dorothy M. Staples.*



Gail M. - April 11, 2022 at 04:02 PM

FS

“ So sorry to hear of her passing! She was a great lady, and a relative. Sincere sympathy to all of the family. Loved her...

Frances Sinder - September 13, 2021 at 06:52 PM

DM

“ I remember Mrs Staples when I was a child at the North Hampton Elementary School back in the 60 & 70's.. She was so **WONDERFUL** a woman and I remember her office like it was yesterday!!!! So kind & caring with all of us.. God Bless and Rest Well!

Donna Meyer-Miller - September 13, 2021 at 01:14 PM

KL

“ My second home was the Staples' house. Gail and I grew up as best friends and are still friends. I always felt like part of the family. Mrs. Staples was one of the best people I ever knew. She was sweet, kind, and calm. She will be missed by all who loved her

Kathy Labrecque - September 12, 2021 at 01:17 PM

BD

“ Mrs. Staples and her children were "across the street" neighbors of ours on Pine Road in North Hampton when I was a young Girl Scout. She was wonderfully wise and patient as she taught me how to give a very young Emerson a bath and even change his diapers! Gail was past that stage! We lost touch later but shared notes the last few years within the Ladies' Union. She always kept up her cheery "Dottie" was eternally happy and positive. We all shall miss her and remember her with kindness and love.

Betsey Davis - September 10, 2021 at 07:22 PM

ML

“ *She was the best nurse at north Hampton elementary and even better at Dr. Bailey’s with deepest sympathy. Mary Simmons Lambert. North Hampton rip dear one*

mary lambert - September 10, 2021 at 06:52 PM

KF

“ *I have so many fond memories of Grammie, from our summers in New Hampshire to holidays in PA! She loved to take us swimming, to the store, to the park, play games, sit with us on the swing, etc. She also cooked the best lobster dinner! Grammie was a strong woman, who was selfless, and kind to everyone. I’ll never forget her helping me with Tyler when he was a baby, in the middle of the night, so I could sleep. I miss Grammie dearly, but take comfort knowing she and Grandpa have reunited in heaven.*

Kelly, Charles and Family - September 09, 2021 at 06:54 PM

BS

“ *Gram will be so dearly missed. While we always lived many miles apart, the memories are many and very close. Gram was a strong and loving woman who was quietly confident and kind to all.*



Brian, Katie, and Ziggy Staples - September 09, 2021 at 05:11 PM

DG

“ *Mr and Mrs Staples were neighbors of ours in East Kingston. They were great people and we enjoyed our conversations tremendously. Both were very kind. We are sorry to hear about her passing.*

*Dan & Sally Guilmette
East Kingston, NH*

Dan Guilmette - September 09, 2021 at 04:34 PM