



Nancy J. Ratliff

September 27, 1942 - November 24, 2016

Portsmouth, NH – Nancy J. Ratliff, 74, of Portsmouth, NH, formerly a longtime resident of Chappaqua, NY, died peacefully on Thursday, November 24, 2016 at her home.

She was born on September 27, 1942 in Rochester, NY, the daughter of the late Harold L. and Dorothy Johnson Ratliff.

Raised in Pittsford, NY, she was a member of Brighton High School's Class of 1960 and graduated from Smith College in 1964.

Ms. Ratliff founded Office Resources, a provider of office support services for small to mid-sized companies. After selling Office Resources, she joined Telemarketing Concepts, a direct marketing company, from which she retired in 1993.

Ms. Ratliff was a member of Portsmouth's Friends of the South End and the League of Women Voters. She was an avid reader, and enjoyed gardening, restoring historic homes, and traveling. She was known for her wit and clear-headed observations of life.

Surviving family members include her daughters from her marriage to Richard Marshuetz, Christina Marshuetz Ferguson and her husband Richard Gooner

of Durham, NC and Katherine Baird Double of Chapel Hill, NC; grandchildren, Isabella and Hudson Double of Chapel Hill; cousins, David Hubner and his wife Michael, Joan Donaldson and her husband Bob, Judy Nielson, Betty-Lou Heffernan, David Johnson, and Lynda Lindquist. Ms. Ratliff is also survived by many good friends and her faithful dog Sophie.

Ms. Ratliff's family wishes to thank all of the people who helped her live independently during her illness, especially Jennifer Holloway, the staff and caregivers from Home Instead Senior Care of Portsmouth, and Sitter for Your Critter.

At Ms. Ratliff's request there will be no memorial service. Donations in her memory may be made to Smith College, Gift Accounting, Stoddard Annex, 23 Elm Street, Northampton, MA 01063, the SPCA of Westchester, 590 North State Road, Briarcliff Manor, NY 10510, or the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, P.O. Box 849168, Boston, MA 02284.

Tribute Wall



“ *Nancy J. Ratliff*

September 18, 2022 at 12:49 AM



“ *I send to you, the daughters of Nancy Ratliff, my warmest thoughts at the time of your mother's death. My husband and I have been living in the South End of Portsmouth for over 20 years, as did she, and knew her as a kind, bright and pleasant neighbor. Nancy was a strong woman, one who faced ilife's challenges with grace and dignity.*

Your loss must, of course, be a difficult one, but it also must be a relief that your mother is no longer suffering from cancer with which she had been dealing for several years with great courage. I recall her making it to the polls along with her friend, Sandie, in spite of the fact that she was all bent over, but felt it important to vote.

My sympathy and love to you both.
Lee Roberts

Lee Roberts - December 04, 2016 at 12:22 PM



Thank you for your kind words, Lee. We both appreciate it.

Christy Ferguson - December 07, 2016 at 03:50 PM