



## Priscilla E. Leavitt

June 1, 1935 - November 25, 2024

North Hampton - Priscilla E. Leavitt, 89, of North Hampton passed away November 25, 2024 at Webster at Rye in Rye, NH. Priscilla was born June 1, 1935 in Portsmouth, NH, daughter of the late Norman Moulton Leavitt and Frances (Chase) Leavitt of North Hampton, NH. Priscilla was in the 5th generation of Leavitt's to live at the Leavitt Farm on Hobbs Rd.

She graduated from Hampton Academy & High School in 1953 and from McIntosh Business College. She also studied violin at the Boston Conservatory of Music, playing in many churches throughout the area. Priscilla retired from the Liberty Mutual Insurance Company in 1992. Her interests were her horses and dogs and the North Hampton Historical Society. Priscilla was an active board member and president of the Society for many years. She delighted in planning historical tours, giving and cataloging donated articles, assembling displays, and hosting public talks about her beloved town. Priscilla was a long-time member of the North Hampton United Church of Christ.

Priscilla is survived by her dear friend Ruth R. Fitzgerald of Portsmouth, NH, her niece and nephew, Amy and Kurt Leavitt, and many cousins.

She was pre-deceased by her brother, Paul C. Leavitt, and his wife, Marcia (Lothrop) Leavitt, formerly of Hampton and Waterville Valley, NH.

Gifts in lieu of flowers may be made to the North Hampton Historical Society.

A Celebration of Life service for Priscilla Leavitt will be held at the United Church of Christ in North Hampton, 295 Atlantic Avenue, on Thursday, June 12th at 10AM. All are welcome. Donations in Priscilla's honor may be made to the North Hampton Historical Society by clicking here (<https://www.historicnorthampton.org/donate-to-the-spring-appeal.html>)

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

JUN 12. 10:00 AM (ET)

United Church of Christ  
295 Atlantic Avenue  
North Hampton, NH 03862  
(603) 964-8687

# Tribute Wall

JH

“ Priscilla was my first friend in North Hampton. I met her at a historical society meeting, where they were considering disbanding and donating the historical artifacts and documents to the State. She volunteered to be president if she had help. New to town, my heart went out to her, and I volunteered immediately. The Society grew, was gifted a huge floor safe for artifacts, was given a room in the clerk's office for the most precious items to be displayed, and monthly evening lectures gained larger audiences.

My gift to her was dedicating an oil painting of her ancestor, mounted upon her beloved Greyfeather (her white horse), at the Battle of Saratoga. She was so excited to learn of her ancestors' participation in that battle and grateful to have the painting dedicated to her. (The lecture is on the web of North Hampton volunteers gathering all the cannon they could and taking them to the winning Battle of Saratoga.). She was so surprised, humbled and grateful that her ancestors would be remembered forever.

She worked tirelessly researching and preserving North Hampton's history. She was modest, sincere and a gentle, determined lady and could play the violin like an angel. She never, to my knowledge, ever spoke ill about anyone. She was pure in heart. She was honored as being North Hampton's stellar volunteer being featured as volunteer of the year in the Town Report, a report that will be on record forever. Jenifer (Landman) Holbert, former Selectwoman of North Hampton, NH)

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Jenifer (formerly Landman) Holbert - December 16, 2024 at 10:42 PM

HW

“ *My aunt Ruth Fitzgerald was a close friend of Priscilla my entire life. She was always a quiet, loving and dignified presence. As a boy growing up , I always felt safe and secure going anywhere with my Aunt and Priscilla. I hope she's riding one of her beloved horses now on a heavenly trail.  
God's speed Priscilla, Howard White*

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**Howard T While** - December 12, 2024 at 12:26 PM

KM

“ *I worked with Priscilla at Liberty Mutual for many years. She was also such a reserved, kind and friendly person. She loved to talk of the old times and how things have changed. I always enjoyed my conversations with her. May she rest in peace.*

*Kathy Moreau-Metivier*

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**Kathy Moreau-Metivier** - December 09, 2024 at 10:19 PM

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“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



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**Sarah Thorne** - December 03, 2024 at 01:15 PM

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“ My family is grateful to have had Priscilla in our lives. My sisters and I grew up visiting the Leavitt Farm in North Hampton. She was my mother's cousin and they had wonderful times exploring the farm together as youngsters--learning from their elders-- milking by hand, lambing, butter churning, horse back riding. I was in awe of Priscilla as she mounted her beloved horses Greyfeather (see photo) and later Lindy Lou and explored all the old farm roads and trails. She was ecstatic when the old Leavitt Barn was given a new life by restoration geniuses in my town of Gilmanton, where it is now the town library. Priscilla inspired me with her devotion to the North Hampton Historical Society where she gathered and preserved valued town history. Sarah Thorne

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**Sarah Thorne** - December 03, 2024 at 01:00 PM

BK

“ My sincere sympathy and prayers for Priscilla's family & friends in NH. I visited Priscilla many times over the years from Minnesota since 1966. Her Mother Frances was my dear aunt and I enjoyed many treasured visits with Priscilla and the beautiful area in and around North Hampton. I traveled to NH in October and was able to visit with my dear cousin Priscilla and other relatives.... Rest in peace Priscilla, I will miss you! 🌹❤️ I love the photo of her in "her barn", now a library!!!

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**Brenda Kotasek** - December 03, 2024 at 09:45 AM

JA

“ Jan lit a candle in memory of Priscilla E. Leavitt



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**Jan** - November 27, 2024 at 05:35 AM