



Nancy S Rossbach

December 12, 1926 - April 21, 2021

Nancy S. Rossbach quietly passed away on April 21, 2021 after declining health. Born in New York to Harold and Edith Spear, Nancy spent her early years in NY and NJ. She was a graduate of Mary Burnham and then Mount Holyoke College ('48), where she studied economics. She also attended Fairleigh Dickinson University, where she earned a master's degree in Human Development.

Nancy met the love of her life at the Ocean Beach Club in Elberon, NJ, and they married in her family home in 1948 in Rumson, NJ. They settled in Elberon and raised three loving and accomplished children with whom they traveled and to whom they were devoted. She and Lee traveled the world, venturing to exotic and beautiful locations, including trekking gorillas in Congo, riding elephants in India, and snorkeling in Bora Bora.

Aside from being devoted to her family, Nancy took special interest in women's rights and education. She was a long-time supporter of Planned Parenthood, serving on the Monmouth County Board and participating in the Power of the Pen group. After earning a graduate degree from FDU she became the director of education at the Unitarian Universalist Church in Lincroft. She was one of the original members and founders of that congregation. Nancy also started her own business, Writing Concepts, providing professional communications support for her clients.

Nancy enjoyed tennis and bridge, setting high standards for herself, and was known as a fierce competitor. After breaking bones in her right hand, she

learned to play tennis with her left, and she competed at the bridge table until her eyes failed. Well-informed and keenly interested in the world around her, Nancy read the NYT and completed the crossword daily, and then listened to Lee read the news to her once she was too infirm.

Nancy is survived by her husband of 73 years, Lee R. Rossbach, their son, Douglas Rossbach and his wife, Ann of Rumson NJ, a daughter-in-law Mary Jo Rossbach of Darien CT, five grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

Nancy was sadly predeceased by two of her children, Donald Rossbach of Darien CT and Lynne Rossbach of Elkhart IN. She was also predeceased by her brother, Dr. Harold Spear of Miami FL, and a step-sister, Joan Tower of Aiken SC.

Memorial service will be held at a later date. For service updates and online condolences, please visit Nancy's memorial page at www.bongarzonefuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

Private

Tribute Wall

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“ *Bongarzone Funeral Home lit a candle in memory of Nancy S Rossbach*



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