



Elizabeth "Betty" Chamberlain

November 24, 1921 - September 21, 2015

Elizabeth "Betty" Carter Chamberlain, 93, of Chester and Madison, formerly of New Hope, PA, New Britain, Lyme and Old Lyme, passed away on September 21 at home surrounded by her loving family. Widow of Valentine B.

Chamberlain III, Betty leaves her children, Chris Chamberlain Puffer and her husband, John Puffer of Wilbraham, MA; VB Chamberlain IV and his wife, Patty of Guilford, CT; Polly Chamberlain of Broad Brook, CT and her longtime friend, Ron Scardacchi; and Michael Chamberlain and his wife, Sharon of New Britain; She also leaves her beloved grandchildren: Davis Chamberlain and his wife, Katrina, Rick Chamberlain and his wife, Libby, Abby Chamberlain, Chase Puffer, Kate Bellis and her husband, Bryan and his son, Keaton, and Molly Reynolds and her husband, Mike. She also adored her five great-grandchildren: Ansen, Rowen, Eleanor, Carter and Hugo. She leaves her sister, Jean Bradley of Chester; as well as six nieces and nephews and their families. Besides her husband Val, she was predeceased by her brothers Robert W. Carter and William S. Carter.

A graduate of The Chaffee School and Vassar College, she also received a graduate degree in education from CCSU. A dedicated volunteer at the American Red Cross, St. Mark's Church in New Britain, Old Lyme Congressional Church, she was especially devoted to the New Britain Museum of American Art and the Florence Griswold Museum in Old Lyme. Betty and Val cherished time with family and friends, as well as traveling. A member of the Old Lyme Country Club, Betty was an avid tennis and bridge

player. She also was accomplished at cooking, the NY Times crossword puzzle, needlepoint, cross-stitch and knitting.

The family would like to pay special thanks to devoted caregiver Emelia Boateng and the staffs at Chester Village West and the Middlesex Hospice and Palliative Care.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the American Red Cross, the New Britain Museum of American Art, or the Florence Griswold Museum. The Carlson Funeral home in New Britain is in charge of funeral arrangements. The family will hold a private family graveside service. Please share a memory or note of sympathy with Betty's family by clicking on "Send Condolences" at the botto of this page.

Tribute Wall

DG

“ Our hearts go out to VB and Patty, and all of the other members of the Chamberlain family.

David and Cathy Gronewold - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

RL

“ Dear Chris, V.B, Polly, and Michael -
You had one amazing mother, whom we will remember fondly in the years to come. She always was so welcoming and smiling, no matter how many friends and, later, spouses and kids came bursting in the door to play, have a snack, or a meal, and spend the night. She made life better for many. Love, Roger and Lynne

Roger and Lynne - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

SD

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JB

“ Dear Polly and Family, I was so sorry to read of your Mother's passing. May she rest in peace. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you.

Jan Bellinger - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ Chris, VB, Polly, and Michael,

Our thoughts and prayers are with you as you grieve for a wonderful woman. We remember many family gatherings which Betty hosted - full of laughter and fun.

John and Betsy Bradley

John and Betsy Bradley - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DP

“ Dear Polly and Family,
So sorry for your loss. You are always in our thoughts - especially now at this sad time.

Danny Duggan & Gary Procaccini - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

PL

“ Dear Polly and Family,
I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Patty Lamson - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

GC

“ Polly, V.B., Chris and family, My heartfelt condolences to you all at the death of your Mother. Sincerely, Gail Craddock

Gail Craddock - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

GD

“ *Polly, Chris and family
So sorry for your loss, you are in my thoughts and prayers*

Georgianne Detka - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

NN

“ *Dear Chris, VB, Polly and Michael -- your mom was an important part of our lives, too, for so many years. I have many fond memories of growing up next door to this amazing lady, of her sense of humor, her kindness, her many capabilities and get-it-done spirit, and so much more. I am so very sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.*

Nancy Noyes - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM