



## Jeanne (Comstock) Parker

February 4, 1938 - June 2, 2025

Jeanne (Comstock) Parker, 87, of Berlin, wife of Walter A. Parker, passed away Monday (June 2, 2025) at Apple Rehab of Rocky Hill three weeks prior to their 62nd Anniversary. Born in Middletown, daughter of the late Robert and Edith (Grange) Comstock, she grew up in Clinton and was a former Newington resident before moving to Berlin in 2006. After graduation from St. Mary's School (Episcopalian) Peekskill, New York, Jeanne received an Associate's Degree from Ambler College and a Bachelor of Science Degree in Horticulture from Ohio State University. After graduation she was a member of the instruction staff of Brooklyn Botanic Garden in New York City where she met Walt. She was owner and partner of Cedar Mountain Florist until her retirement in 1989. She enjoyed gardening landscape designing and anything related to horticulture. She earned the designation of Connecticut Master Gardener. Jeanne was a parishioner of Grace Episcopal Church in Newington; and members of the Newington Junior Women's Club, the Connecticut Horticultural Society and the Connecticut Orchid Society.

Jeanne cherished experiences and adventures. With the boys: Red Sox games at Fenway, Cape Cod vacations, a four masted windjammer in the Caribbean, a road trip along the California coast and Yosemite and a van trip thru Japan; With her sister-in-law navigating the Scottish Highlands by car and walking the streets of London and Paris. With Walt: Sunrises in Maine and sunsets in Key West and Hawaii; Riding Metro-North to see a performance at Lincoln Center or by Metro (subway) to the ballet in St. Petersburg, Russia; Performances of the Hartford Symphony, historic Connecticut theaters and the Vienna Philharmonic; Visiting gardens in the mountains of Taiwan, Kyoto, Japan, Longwood near Ambler College in Philadelphia area and tulip fields in Holland; Encountering cows while having a bread and cheese lunch in a pasture in the Italian Alps and having an amazing slice of berry pie at a diner in Alaska; Dinners in the homes of friends in Poland, Russia, Germany, Switzerland and Japan; Encountering robbers on a night train somewhere between Budapest and Poland (they got nothing) and having her wallet stolen from her purse in a department store on Red Square, Moscow (it only continued a few rubles); Walks on the beaches of Puerto Rico, the Baltic Sea, Hawaii and Hammonasset State Park; Services in a small church in Alice Springs on Easter Eve (Australian Outback) and Westminster Abbey; Dinners for over more than fifty years with

our Gourmet Club of eight couples (some of whom are now with Jeanne) at their homes and memorable New England Inn weekends; Lobster rolls at Lobster Landing in Clinton with friends which is in the same shack she rode to by bike in the 1940's to buy fish for her mother; In recent years, sometimes in a wheel chair, a grinder lunch at a riverside park of the Connecticut River.

Besides her husband Walter, she leaves a son, Gregory Parker of Berlin; a brother, Robert Comstock and his wife Dorcas of Madison; a brother-in-law John Parker and his wife Marilyn of Rowayton; a daughter-in law, Erin Harlow Parker of Atlanta; two granddaughters, Gabrielle of Atlanta and Isabella of Chicago; nieces Betsy, Susan and Penny; and numerous grand and grand-grand nieces and nephews. Jeanne was predeceased by their son, Jeffrey Parker.

A memorial service will be held Sunday, June 15 at 2:00 at Grace Episcopal Church, 124 Maple Hill Avenue, Newington, CT 06111. There are no calling hours. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Grace Episcopal Church. Carlson Funeral Home, New Britain, is assisting with arrangements. Please share a memory or note of sympathy at [www.carlsonfuneralhome.com](http://www.carlsonfuneralhome.com)

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

JUN **15**. 2:00 PM (ET)

Grace Episcopal Church  
124 Maple Hill Avenue  
Newington, CT 06111

# Tribute Wall

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“ I first met Jeanne Comstock on a warm September day in 1956---nearly 70 years ago! It was our first day as students at the School of Horticulture in Ambler, Pa. A small group of us formed lifelong friendships at the school that enabled us to get together for class reunions and for other occasions such as family camping trips with Walt and the kids at the Outer Banks and visiting classmates in Florida. I remember my friend Jeanne as gentle and fun loving, smart with a good sense of humor. At school I remember the occasion when Jeanne was out past curfew and the dorm doors were locked. She was trying to climb the rose trellis to get back into her second floor dorm room when she was discovered by the director of the school who put a stop to the shenanigans. It has been my privilege to know Jeanne and be part of her life. I miss her and will be thinking of you Walt, and her family and hope that your happy memories of Jeanne will give you comfort. Much Love and Sympathy to you all. Nancy Reynolds Gibbons

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