



## Josephine "Jo" Snowden

October 23, 1922 - June 2, 2013

Josephine "Jo" Zarli Snowden, 90, formerly of East Berlin, passed away Sunday morning after complications from a simple medical procedure. Born October 26, 1922 in Natick, Rhode Island to Vincenza Triangelo and Nicandro Zarli, she was the widow of De Wilton Bill Snowden.

Jo graduated from Cranston High School and Edgewood Secretarial School. During 'the war', she worked for the American Red Cross at which time she met Bill who was stationed at the Newport, RI Naval Yard. The two married and Jo became a Navy wife until 1955, when they settled in East Berlin. Josephine was the proud mother of three children on whom she unceasingly and unselfishly devoted her energy.

Jo was a world traveler, visiting the likes of the American National Parks, Russia, Europe, Iceland and Australia. Not your typical tourist, she slept in a grass hut in Fiji and a dormitory while attending classes at the University of Hawaii. Her other interests included reading, knitting and pressed flower creations. She was concerned with national and local politics, as well as Berlin history. She was a member of St. Gabriel's Episcopal Church, the Berlin Art League, Berlin Historical Society, Red Hatters' Society and the New Britain YWCA and YMCA. Following the death of her husband, Bill, Jo lived independently in her big house, swam five days a week and could be seen driving her yellow Mini Cooper throughout the area.

Josephine leaves her children and their spouses, Mayo and Jim Chase of Berlin, Mike and Mil Snowden of Bethlehem and Mary Beth and Ted Hrubiec

of Berlin; grandchildren and their spouses Erik Snowden and Sue Beckley, Todd and Keri Snowden, Willie Snowden, and Andrew and Elizabeth Hrubiec; great-grandchildren Brett, Emma, Meredith, Roxanne, Shelby and Colt Snowden. Jo was predeceased by a brother, Michael.

Funeral Services will be held Thursday morning at 10:00 at St. Gabriel's Episcopal Church, 68 Main Street, East Berlin. Calling hours are Wednesday from 5:00 to 8:00 at Carlson's Funeral Home, 45 Franklin Square, New Britain. Memorial donations may be made to the American Red Cross, 1 Plymouth Place, Milford, CT 06460, or Saint Gabriel's Church, 68 Main Street, East Berlin, 06023. Please share a memory or note of sympathy by clicking on "Add Condolences" at the bottom of this page.

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DK

“ *Jo Snowden was a wonderful woman with a nice word and kind thought for all. I spent alot of time at her home growing up and will always remember her as a very energetic person with an open mind and a love for so many different things. My thoughts are with you all.*

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**Diana Cummings Kerin** - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

IL

“ *A devoted mom and wife, a world traveler, artist and fun loving Red Hatter. So many things to remember her... laughter, lemon meringue pies, good listener, but most of all a good friend. I will always remember her. My condolences to her entire family.*

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**Iris Larsson** - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LK

“ *To the whole Snowden family - I was so sad and sorry to hear about your mom/grandmom's passing. She was such a lovely lady and I always appreciated how devoted she was to her family, how interested and interesting she was and how kind she was to me. My deepest sympathy to all. Leslie kingsbury*

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**Leslie Kingsbury** - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

SW

“ *To: The Snowden Family--I will always remember your Mom as a very warm and vibrant true lady. I am sorry for your loss. Sandy Stawski Winkler*

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**Sandra Stawski Winkler** - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MZ

“ *Everyone in NH and PA sends their condolences to our Ct. cousins. I have always loved my aunt and have admired her for traveling the world. May she rest in peace.  
Love Marty and Linda*

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**Marty Zarli** - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ *Aunt Jo became my mother's Jennie Thompson traveling companion and I know they encouraged each other to be adventurous and enjoy those trips all the more. I will always be grateful to her for that. My love and sympathy to my cousins and their families. I know how devoted she was to you.*

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**Susan Thompson Fidel** - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM