



Marianne Morrell-Schumann

May 20, 1932 - April 24, 2022

Marianne Morrell-Schumann, 89, of Jersey City, New Jersey, passed away Sunday (April 24, 2022) in Naples, FL. Born in Greenport, NY, daughter of the late Rev. Herbert Morrell and Marion (Hall) Morrell, she lived in Windsor, CT, Boston, MA and western Massachusetts from 1960 to 2019, when she moved to Jersey City. Marianne was a Teacher, Teacher of the Deaf, and an educator having received her Bachelor's Degree from Mount Holyoke College and Master's Degrees in Arts of Teaching and Education of the Deaf from Smith College in Northampton, MA. She taught at Smith College Day School, Clarke School and Willie Ross School for the Deaf for over 20 years. She was a member of several Congregational Churches in CT & MA. She was also a member of the Fortnightly Reading Group in Northampton and Phi Beta Kappa.

Surviving is her son, Steven Simpkin Sr. and his wife Judy of Naples, FL and Jersey City, NJ; three step children, Monica Schumann, Bill Schumann and Thomas Schumann; a sister, Margaret Morrell Smith and her husband Jim of Philadelphia; three grandchildren, Steven Simpkin, Jr., Teresa Matheson, and Thomas Simpkin; three great grandchildren, Nicholas, Victoria and Gabriel and her nephews, Jonathan and David Smith and her niece, Megan McLeod and their families. Marianne was predeceased by two husbands, Jack W. Simpkin and Willy Schumann.

Funeral services are Saturday 11 AM at Carlson Funeral Home, 45 Franklin Square, New Britain. Burial will follow in West Lane Cemetery, Kensington.

Calling hours are Saturday morning from 9 to 11 AM at the Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Willie Ross School for the Deaf, 32 Norway Street, Longmeadow, MA 01106. Please share a memory or note of sympathy at www.carlsonfuneralhome.com

Previous Events

Calling Hours

APR **30**. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Carlson Funeral Home
45 Franklin Square
New Britain, CT 06051
(860) 225-6361
carlsonfh@aol.com
<https://www.carlsonfuneralhome.com/>

Tribute Wall

EH

“ Our deepest sympathy to Marianne's family on her passing. We knew Marianne during Ed's time at Smith College in the Human Resource Department.

*Ed & Shirley Hennessy
May 10, 2022*

Ed & Shirley Hennessy - May 10, 2022 at 04:38 PM

GD

“ Marianne was truly dedicated to the students and staff at WRSD. She mentored many teachers at the school and always based decisions in what was best for the children at the school. It was a privilege to work with her for many years. I felt honored to succeed her as the Director of Outreach Services. Whenever Dr Abbate proposed a new service or new partnership, Marianne immediately would volunteer to take on the responsibility. Finally I had to advise her to stop volunteering for everything and let other people share the load. I don't know that I was successful. We often asked each other for advice and I always listened carefully to her input. Hopefully I helped her in return. She was a great asset to the school
Greg DeLisle

Greg DeLisle - May 01, 2022 at 07:43 PM

LC

“ I was honored to share some of Marianne’s journey through life when our paths first crossed at Willie Ross School in 1988. She was an administrator at the school but our friendship began when we discovered we both lived in Northampton and graduated from the Smith College Program for Teaching the Deaf. Marianne became my supervisor for a few years at Willie Ross’s Outreach Program in Dalton. Later, when I was an administrator at the school, Marianne was a great resource, sharing her wealth of knowledge when contributing to grants.

We shared many a good dinner at Hotel Northampton, Green St. Cafe, cannolis at La Fiorentina, theater in the Berkshires, concerts at Smith College and many movies! We shared many good laughs! Marianne was my role model as a strong, intelligent woman with many interests and talents. She will always hold a place in my heart.

Linda Carfora - April 29, 2022 at 08:38 PM

JC

“ We knew Marianne in a variety of connections over the years, initially and principally through Smith College. She was a lovely person, very smart and kind. It was good to read of her stellar career as a teacher of the deaf. We extend our condolences to the family.

-- John and Marianna Connolly

john connolly - April 29, 2022 at 05:50 PM

BC

“ hello,

Marianne was a treasured friend and customer of ours at Broadside Bookshop in Northampton, for many years. We always delighted in her visits to the store (and sometimes our visits to her home during deliveries). She was such an engaged, avid reader--a true lover of books. Her gentle and intelligent ways in conversation were highlights of our days. We miss her dearly.

Very Sincerely,

*Bill Clements bill@broadsidebooks.com
Roxie Mack roxie@broadsidebooks.com*

bill clements - April 29, 2022 at 12:01 PM

LA

“ *Marianne was my colleague at Willie Ross School for the Deaf during my 28 years as President. She served with distinction in a variety of capacities as a campus leader. Marianne was also my friend. She offered wise council and input as a member of the senior staff. We traveled to Washington together to advocate for our school, Through all of the challenges that were present to WRSD during those years, she was a person I could always rely upon for good and sage advice. Marianne also traveled to London to attend my sons wedding for which my wife and I will always be grateful. I shall miss my friend.*

Louis Abbate - April 28, 2022 at 04:35 PM



“ *Marianne was a legend at Willie Ross School for the Deaf . She served here in several different roles, including Interim Executive Director. When I arrived as the new president, nine years ago, Marianne was several years retired. None-the-less, she reached out to me and offered whatever assistance I might need. She did some grant writing and helped plan and execute our now annual gala. She was a lovely woman who cared deeply about our school and our students. She is missed.*

Bert Carter - April 28, 2022 at 02:14 PM