



Ruth Hoke Glass

Ruth Hoke Glass, 88, formerly of Valleybrook Drive, Peach Lane, Kreider Avenue, and more recently Mennonite Home Communities, passed away on Friday, September 26th.

Ruth Glass was born May 11th, 1920 to the late Paul E. and Stella J. Hoke in Spring Grove, PA. Following high school, Ruth majored in English at Ursinus College, and graduated in 1942. It was at Ursinus College that Ruth met her husband-to-be, Joseph W. Glass, Jr. Ruth and Joe recently celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary in June.

Married in 1943, Marine service stationed the couple in Corpus Christi, Texas and later, in Southern California. While in Corpus Christi, their first son, Joseph W. III, was born. After her husband's Marine duty, Ruth and Joe returned East, where Joe began his Armstrong World Industries career. The family was soon assigned to Braintree, MA, where their second son, Peter P., was born. A final move back to Armstrong's headquarters in Lancaster preceded the birth of their daughter, Jane T.

A dedicated homemaker and a stay-at-home mother, Ruth was amazing with her lifetime commitment to supporting their activities and attending the various athletic events of her children and grandchildren. In addition to her family, Ruth enjoyed traveling, shopping, spending the winters in Florida with friends and relatives, and sharing the bounties of her cooking and baking talents. Ruth was an ardent reader, and paid weekly visits to the Lancaster Public and Manheim Township Libraries en route to her loyal patronage of the Lancaster Central Market. As an avid bridge player, Ruth was a member of numerous women's and duplicate bridge groups, and also The Towne Club of Lancaster. For 30 years, Ruth volunteered her time delivering food in downtown Lancaster for the local Meals on Wheels program. Ruth and Joe were long time members of Grandview Heights United Methodist Church.

Ruth is survived by her husband Joseph W. Jr., of Mennonite Home; her son Joseph III., husband of Mary (Bobbi), of Lancaster; her daughter Jane, of Lancaster; 5 grandchildren, Kelly G. Biemesderfer of Lititz, Andrew P. Glass of Lititz, Dr. Rustin W. Glass of Lancaster, Dr. Daniel J. Glass of Haworth, New Jersey, and Darren P. Glass of Florida. Ruth also leaves 10 great grandchildren. Ruth was preceded in death by two brothers, Paul E. Hoke and Marlin C. Hoke, both of York; and her son, Peter P., formerly of Tampa, Florida.

Private services will be held at the convenience of the family. Kindly omit flowers. Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Lancaster County, 685 Good Drive, PO Box 4125, Lancaster, PA 17604-4125 or a charity of your choice.

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