



Marjorie Olthoff

June 2, 1922 - February 24, 2024

Marjorie Olthoff

Clemson, South Carolina

Marjorie Olthoff passed away at the age of 101 on Saturday, February 24, at the Cottingham Hospice House in Seneca, SC after a brief illness. She was blessed with three children and with her 67-year marriage to her husband, Robert Olthoff. Born Marjorie Spanswick in Hartford, CT, Marjorie, known to her legion of friends as Marge, raised her children in Connecticut and Massachusetts, and lived most of her retirement years in South Carolina.

Her enthusiastic embrace of life, her warmth, and her never failing sense of humor drew people to her throughout her life. She was a devoted and caring mother, and forged friendships that lasted a lifetime. Throughout her career, she held many secretarial positions, some at very high levels. The skills that earned success in her working life carried into Marge's involvement in her Clemson Downs retirement community, where she held prominent volunteer roles and was well-known and well-loved. When the new Hospice of the Foothills was in its infancy, she worked tirelessly as a key volunteer to help ensure the success of this community resource. Marjorie was an avid Red Sox fan, an enthusiastic Clemon Tigers supporter, and relished memories of the many travels she and her husband enjoyed. She was a member of the Fort Hill Presbyterian Church in Clemson.

Marjorie is survived by her children Christine, John, and Mark. She is preceded in death by her husband, Robert.

Per her wishes, a gathering to remember Marjorie will be held for friends and family members at her home in Clemson on Friday, March 8 from 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM.

Condolences may be expressed online at mountainviewfunerals.com.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in her name may be made to Hospice of the Foothills, 390 Keowee School Road, Seneca, SC 29672, or to the National Kidney Foundation.

Mountain View Funeral Home – Seneca Chapel is serving the Olthoff family.

Previous Events

Gathering

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Marjorie Olthoff's Home

Tribute Wall

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“ I have been honored and blessed to have Marge as a friend for the 23 years I've known her. So many good memories: her never failing uplifting/upbeat demeanor and sense of humor; her no-nonsense approach when things didn't measure up; the many “Attitude–Adjustment” sessions she hosted for groups of friends; the dozens and dozens of cookies she created and baked for charity at the Christmas season; the many hours we spent gathering the legal data needed to redo our little community's Covenants; ETC. I raise a scotch to her memory. I miss her. My condolences to Chris, Mark and John.

Fritz Briggs

Frederick A Briggs (Fritz) - March 14, 2024 at 01:06 PM

BG

“ Our Mom and Dad (Bob and Phyllis Gupstill) had such wonderful times with Marge. Going to Clemson games, working together at Hospice and just being true friends. They are together again and probably have a great time. Sincere Condolences.

The Gupstill family

Brian S Gupstill - March 10, 2024 at 12:38 PM

JO

“ How blessed I was to have been a part of Maggie's life! My "other" unwavering Mom for (47) years. My friend. My mentor at times during my career. My spiritual counselor. My cheerleader in times both good and bad. Maggie was the consummate professional with such a sound set of values.

Her greatest joy in life was being a mother to Chris, Mark, and John. Her legacy lives on.

I am uploading this photo taken at Cape Cod with Nana Spanswick, her Mom. The Cape was always Maggie's favorite place. There is a comfort in believing they are together again.

How I will miss you my Maggie, the most selfless and "can do" person I have ever known.

All my love and God Be With You Till We Meet Again.

Jill Olthoff



Jill Olthoff - March 08, 2024 at 02:19 PM

PF

“ I'll always remember Marge and my mother (Arline Fleming) chatting and laughing like the good friends they were. Marge had a great sense of humor, was smart and was easy to talk to, she was truly a special lady. I am sad to see he go.

Paul Fleming

Paul Fleming - March 07, 2024 at 02:07 PM

CO

“ I just spoke to Marge a few weeks ago. She was easy to talk to, happy, upbeat and still as sharp as ever. Marge had a great sense of humor and was quick with a laugh. She was thrilled at 101 to be able to stay in her home. Marge was a close friend of my mom, Arline Fleming. They grew up together and remained close friends throughout their life.
I'm so sorry for your loss. Marge was a special lady.

Cheryl Osmers - March 04, 2024 at 05:15 PM

RF

“ My mother was a very good friend of Marge's. They had the type of friendship that only happens when you know each other for a lifetime, which they did. They didn't see each other often particularly when they lived far apart, but when they did they were always happy to see each other. There was a sense of joy when they met. I too benefitted from this friendship. My first job out of college was partially facilitated by Marge. She worked for a senior executive and circulated my resume. Her position got me attention I never would have got otherwise. I'll always be thankful to her for that. I'm sad to see her go but thankful to have known her.

Rob Fleming - March 04, 2024 at 07:45 AM

PN

“ Marjorie. was a precious lady. I was working at HOF when she was a volunteer there. Her smile is one to never be forgotten. My thoughts and prayers are with her family. Patti Nelson



patti Nelson - March 01, 2024 at 11:11 PM

BV

“ I will miss our phone calls to check in with each other, especially our May 28th call each yr. on the day Marge & Bob were married in 1949. I was her flower girl. I will think of you always but with a special thought on May 28th. I miss you already. Sweet dreams Marge, I love you.



Barbara Vane - February 29, 2024 at 11:51 PM

PH

“ I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this sad time.



Patricia Graham Holcombe - February 28, 2024 at 01:34 AM