



Marjorie Hale

September 8, 1919 - October 30, 2014

Marjorie Rose Barber Hale, 95, a retired middle school librarian, died Thursday at Grand Strand Health Center, Myrtle Beach, S.C. Funeral will be is pending. Arrangements are under the direction of Goldfinch Funeral Services, Murrells Inlet, S.C. Burial will be next week at Woodlawn Cemetery in New Windsor, N.Y.

Marjorie was born Sept. 8, 1919 in Waterbury, Connecticut to Robert J. and Josephine Q. Barber. The family moved in 1929 to Beacon, N.Y. where her father was employed as a master carpenter.

She married Franklyn M. Hale of Newburgh, N.Y., in the Dutch Reform Church at Beacon on March 21, 1941. She was a writer for The Beacon Light and later worked in the advertising department of a local department store. Marjorie was a long time member of the Canterbury Presbyterian Church, Cornwall, N.Y., and Trinity Presbyterian, Surfside Beach.

Marjorie began her academic career in the early 1960s. She graduated with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in English from Mount St. Mary's College in Newburgh. She later earned a Masters in Library Science Degree at S.U.N.Y. Albany.

Following graduation, she was a staff librarian at Cornwall Central High

School and later head librarian at the middle school in the Highland Falls School District.

Upon retirement, she and Franklyn moved to East Greenwich, R.I. Following his death in 1996, Marjorie moved to Surfside Beach to watch her grandchildren grow up.

A lover of books, Marjorie was content to sit in corner where the light was just right and read. She always looked forward to the challenge of completing the Sunday New York Times Crossword puzzle. She was a great cook and published her own cookbook.

Marjorie is survived by one son, David B. Hale, Lawton, OK.; one daughter, Diana H. King and husband, Bill; one grandson, Christopher A. King; one grand-daughter, Michelle Bailey, and one great grand-daughter, Leela Marie Bailey, all of Surfside Beach; one brother, Thomas Barber and wife, Judy, of Walden, N.Y.; two sisters-in-law, Kathleen Hale Gill, New Windsor and Rosalie Barber Zeitler, Beacon; long-time care giver and friend Irene Cook, Surfside Beach; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband; her parents; her sisters: Ruth Casaly, R.N., Newburgh; Ann Robertson, Boulder City, Nevada; one brother, and Robert T. Barber, Beacon.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests that memorial donations be made to your local public library's adult literacy program.

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