



Editha C. Wolcott

November 5, 1923 - May 4, 2024

Editha C. Wolcott, 100, of Chicopee, crossed over peacefully on Saturday, May 4, 2024. She was born on November 5, 1923 to the late George and May Cabble of Springfield, MA. Editha graduated from Springfield Technical High School and married her high school sweetheart, Kenneth "Joe" Wolcott, the following year, before he shipped out with the U.S. Navy. She was a devoted and tireless mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother always working to ensure that her family was well cared for. Editha was first employed by Mass Mutual in Springfield. Later she went to work for Swan Soap Co., training and managing young women who distributed free samples door-to-door. She held positions as a keypuncher at Western Mass Electric and Northeast Utilities until her retirement. Editha and Ken settled with their family in Chicopee, but remained members of the Greater Springfield Church congregation throughout their lives. Editha was most recently an active member of the First Congregational Church of East Longmeadow, where she will always be remembered for her active service and contributions there. After the passing of her husband Kenneth and mourning his loss, she lifted herself up and carried on. Upon retirement, she volunteered her services to Chicopee elementary schools as a teacher's support for many years.

In her home, she baked many pies and a variety of jams and jellies for family and church bazaars. There was always something cooking in Editha's kitchen, from pies to canning vegetables and fruit from her garden. She was also an avid reader and bird watcher. Editha spent many hours corresponding with her grown children to keep them informed of family news, first with pen and paper or by telephone and eventually with e-mail and video calls on the computer. Thus, she remained the center and heart of the larger family. Her home was always open, and she welcomed all who came to her door. Editha is survived by her six children, Judy Wolcott (Ellen) of MA, Kenneth Wolcott (Sylvia) of Germany, Pamela Reidpath (Gordon) of Canada, Dolores Peters (Michael) of TX, Martha Linn (Steve) of MA, and Steven Wolcott (Leshia) of MA; as well as nine grandchildren, Christoph, Jennifer, Rebecca, of Germany, Darcie and Brett of Canada, Meaghan of TX, Keane of MA, and Sheri and Lisa; twelve great-grandchildren, Lily, Lucy, Emilio, Lucas, Jacob, Eric of Germany, Roen and Riley of Canada, Mallory, Michelle, Mylee of MA, and Wyatt Jackson of TX. There are many nieces and nephews as part of the larger family,

and a special thank you to Shawn, who always kept in touch with our Mom. Editha was predeceased by her three siblings, Patricia Meade, Walter Cabble, and Shirley Jokerst. The family would like to offer our heartfelt thanks to all the staff of Daybrook Village who offered comfort, care and compassion to our Mom and us for the past few months. Calling hours are Friday, May 17th, from 9:00-11:15AM, at Kozikowski Funeral Home, 565 Front St., Chicopee, with a funeral home service at 11:30AM. Committal service and burial will follow in Fairview Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to First Congregational Church of East Longmeadow, 7 Somers Road, East Longmeadow, MA 01028 or to the charity of your choice.

Cemetery Details

Fairview Cemetery

Armory Drive
Chicopee, MA

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 17. 9:00 AM - 11:15 AM (ET)

Kozikowski Funeral Home
565 Front Street
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Service

MAY 17. 11:30 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *As a childhood friend of Darcie's, I always enjoyed seeing GiGi in the summer and at holidays when she visited Canada. Nice memories of her baking in Pam's kitchen and filling us kids with treats!* ”

Katria McKinnon - May 13, 2024 at 08:36 PM