



Sally A. Foss

February 24, 1922 - February 2, 2013

COLUMBIA, NH—Mrs. Sally A. Foss (nee Ellison), 90, of Columbia, NH, passed away peacefully at the Coös County Nursing Hospital in West Stewartstown, NH, on Saturday evening, Feb. 2, 2013.

She was born in Hartford, Conn., on Feb. 24, 1922, a daughter to the late Joseph and Jenny (Johanson) Ellison.

After graduation from West High School in Rochester, NY, in 1940, and Jackson College (Tufts University) in 1944, Sally married Frederic Foss in Red Bank, NJ, where Fred was stationed as an officer in the US Army prior to being deployed to the Pacific theater during WWII. Sally had the distinction of being the first female school board member for Harpursville Central School District, Harpursville, NY, in the 1950s; the first female grand juror in Madison County, Ala., and an active member of the newly formed League of Women's Voters in Huntsville, Ala., in the 1960s which gave her the opportunity to meet the late Dr. Martin Luther King, Sr. She moved to NH in 1973 permanently after having lived in several states while following her husband's career.

Sally was a superb seamstress, enjoyed cooking, golfing, skiing, and playing bridge. She was a member of the Monadnock Congregational Church for over 38 years and was known for her Christmas cookies at the annual church Christmas bazaar.

She is survived by her son, Gary Foss, of Columbia, NH; and daughters, Carolyn (Phil) Foss- Monson of Columbia, and Betsy (Chuck) Foss of Rochester, NY; grandsons, Tucker (Sabrina) Foss-Stockwell of Honolulu, HI, and Gene Gant of Montgomery, Ala.; nephew David Foss of Philadelphia, Penn.; and 2nd cousins Jon Anderson and Jane Anderson of Pawtucket, RI.

Sally was predeceased by her husband Frederic Foss in 2007; a sister, Betty Young; and nephews Daniel Foss and David Young.

There will be no public calling hours. A memorial service will be held on what would have been Sally's 91st birthday, Sunday, Feb. 24, 2013, at 1:00 p.m. at the Monadnock Congregational Church in Colebrook, NH, with The Rev. Rebecca Larson officiating. An interment service will occur at a later date in the Colebrook Village Cemetery.

The family wishes to acknowledge their deep appreciation to the staff on the 3rd floor of the Coös County Nursing Hospital in West Stewartstown, for the dedicated and loving care shown to Sally during her stay. May you always remember her smile.

In lieu of flowers (Sally always said if she can't have them while she is alive, she doesn't want them when she is gone), please consider donations to the Monadnock Congregational Church, 24 Parsons St., or the Vicki Bunnell Scholarship Fund, c/o the Colebrook Kiwanis Club, P.O. Box 241, both of Colebrook, NH 03576.

Condolences may be offered to the family on-line by going to www.jenkinsnewman.com.

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Jenkins & Newman Funeral

Home, Colebrook, NH.

Tribute Wall



“ Carolyn & family,
Thinking of you on the loss of your mother. She always seemed such a gracious woman who cared much about family and community.
Pam###imported-begin###Pam Frizzell###imported-end###

February 20, 2013 at 04:59 PM



“ George and I would like to extend our deepest sympathy for the loss of your Mother. I used to enjoy our "front yard" chats when your parents come to visit you. She was a wonderful lady, and because of your love and support she was able to maintain dignity and happiness in her last months.###imported-begin###Judy & George Jaffarian###imported-end###

February 08, 2013 at 09:28 PM



“ To Sally's family. What a lovely woman Sally always was. We are sorry for your loss.
Cindy Roy Hood###imported-begin###Cindy Hood###imported-end###

February 06, 2013 at 06:41 PM



“ My thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. Sally always had a kind word and smile for all at CCNH. I hold her dearly in my heart.###imported-begin###Alyce McDonald RN###imported-end###

February 06, 2013 at 05:04 PM



“ Our thoughts & prayers are with you in the lost of Sally. We always enjoyed her little chats at the store. She will be missed.##imported-begin##Ed & Yogi Poulin##imported-end##

February 06, 2013 at 01:33 PM



“ My condolences to all the family of Sally Foss. My thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. Sally and I share a wonderful Grandson. sincerely, Sally S##imported-begin##Sally Stockwell##imported-end##

February 06, 2013 at 09:29 AM



“ Cannot tell you how much we loved Sally. She was such a good friend. I really loved to hear her laugh. She was very talented seamstress. I was really impressed the day she showed me a bedspread she made for her bed that she designed from a photo she saw in a book. She was also a great cook and baker. She loved her family and adored her grandson. We will miss her so much. Our condolences to her family.##imported-begin##Bill and Elaina Johnson##imported-end##

February 05, 2013 at 11:50 AM



“ I did not know Sally personally, but had the pleasure of meeting her at the nursing home. Just read her obit, and want to let you know, your family has been so blessed to have had such a talented and beautiful woman in your life. What a beautiful lady she was..... deepest sympathy to all the family. Keith and Billie Brockney##imported-begin##Billie Brockney##imported-end##

February 04, 2013 at 01:27 PM



“ Please accept my deepest sympathy in the loss of your beloved mother. May those precious memories be foremost in your hearts and minds along with the wonderful promise made by Jesus at John 5:28,29.##imported-begin##Jackson Family##imported-end##

February 04, 2013 at 10:40 AM



“ Dear Carolyn & Family,

My sincerest condolences for the loss of your Mother. She had a good, very long life and very lucky to have you.

Thinking of you always and my prayer's are with you.

Gayle##imported-begin##Gayle M. Clark##imported-end##

February 04, 2013 at 06:57 AM



“ My condolences on the passing of this wonderful lady.##imported-begin##Mary Ann Mott##imported-end##

February 04, 2013 at 06:51 AM