



Frances S. Mehm

June 30, 1935 - July 6, 2017

Niskayuna-Frances Schumann Mehm, a resident of Niskayuna, NY passed away peacefully on July 6th after a brief illness. She was surrounded by her family and loved ones. Frances was born on June 30th, 1935 in Kingston, NY and was the only child of Caroline and Frederick Schumann.

A lifelong dedicated educator, Frances held a BA in education from SUNY New Paltz and two Master's Degrees in history and reading from the College of St. Rose and SUNY Albany.

Frances began her teaching career in West Hurley, NY and then moved to Colonie, NY where she taught in various South Colonie Schools grades two through six. Fran loved all her students and was a proud and committed educator who went to school every morning with a smile on her face.

She was predeceased by her beloved husband of 45 years Frank Lewis Mehm and is survived by her two sons George (Deborah) of Albany, NY and Frank (Louise) of Londonderry, NH. Frances has four grandchildren Erica (Anthony) DiMario of Sterling, VA, George Justin (Amanda) Mehm of Fort Mills, SC and Alex and Eric Mehm of Londonderry, NH as well as two great grandchildren Olivia Grace and Anthony James DiMario.

Frances and Frank loved their yearly winter trips to their favorite tropical island

of Aruba. In retirement they spent time cruising the Nile, exploring the pyramids, touring the islands of Greece, photographing the marketplaces in Turkey and viewing the splendors of St. Petersburg.

Frances was an accomplished artist in oils, pastels and most recently acrylics. She painted in a representational-impressionistic style and exhibited her work in the National Arts Club and Saratoga Arts Council as well as numerous other galleries and national and regional shows. One of her most recent works is part of the permanent collection at the Pruyn House Museum in Colonie.

Frances' other artistic endeavors included classical guitar, piano, photography and golf. She particularly relished spending time with her children, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Frances spent the past ten years with her constant companion Karl Hexamer. They enjoyed touring the southwest, visiting Karl's homeland of Germany and brisk mall walks in the early morning.

The family would like to thank the sixth floor medical staff at the Neuro ICU of Ellis Hospital, especially Emily and Laural, for taking such wonderful care of our mother.

Relatives and friends are invited to visit with Frances's family Wednesday, July 12, 2017 4:00 to 7:00 pm in McVeigh Funeral Home, 208 North Allen Street, Albany.

Funeral services and interment will be held privately by the family.

To leave a message for the family, light a candle, obtain directions or view other helpful services please visit www.McveighFuneralHome.com

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 12. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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“ *Frances S. Mehm*

October 08, 2023 at 09:24 PM



“ *To Fran's family....On behalf of the Colonie Art League and myself, our sincerest condolences for your loss. Fran was an active member and was our first coordinator for the Pruyn House Children's program and instrumental in it's success in the years to come. Her constant smile was so refreshing....she was a lovely lady and will be missed by all who came in contact with her..Especially me. Sincerely, Kristin Woodward, co-President, Colonie Art League*



Kristin Woodward - July 13, 2017 at 08:36 PM

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“ To the family of Fran Mehm, I am sorry for your loss. Your mom was my favorite teacher. I was in her 4th grade class at Roessleville. She was a positive influence in my life. I will always remember her standing at the classroom door every morning to greet her students with a smile to light up the room. Your father & my father worked together at Shop Rite in the meat dept. where they became friends. Years after your fathers passing my parents and I would visit your mom at her Delafield home, she would show us her beautiful paintings. I feel very fortunate to have known such amazing, interesting, and wonderful people in my lifetime. Robin South Colonie

robin wyman - July 11, 2017 at 02:04 PM

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“ To Fran's family: Sorry to hear of your loss. I remember Fran for all of her work as a teacher & active union member. She shared her skills as a grievance chair with me so that I could try to follow in her footsteps. I also remember the time Fran & Frank, Judy Allen & I met unexpectedly in Aruba.
My prayers are with you. Sheila Young - South Colonie Retiree

Sheila Young - July 10, 2017 at 04:38 PM