



Gloria Sellers Hess

June 20, 2021

Gloria Sellers Hess, 93, born December 23, 1927, passed away June 20, 2021 at Penn Medicine Lancaster General Hospital. She was the widow of John J. "Jack" Hess II who died on December 31, 2003. She was the daughter of Katherine Scott and Ralph Sellers, and the stepdaughter to George Ness Spalding.

Gloria was born and raised in Lancaster County. She attended Lancaster Catholic and graduated from Manheim Township High School. Later she furthered her education at the Philadelphia School of Fine Art.

In earlier days, she and her husband of over 50 happy years had a wide circle of friends and lived part time in Boynton Beach, FL. There they enjoyed golf, tennis, and being warm. Gloria had 7 holes in one in her years of playing golf.

She was a long-time member of The Lancaster Country Club, The Hamilton Club, Del Ray Dunes Country Club, The Junior League, the former St. Joseph Hospital Auxiliary, and St. Leo The Great Catholic Church.

Gloria is survived by her daughter, Patricia Hess Pollard, granddaughter, Hillary Elizabeth Hess, grandson, Alexander S. Hess, and great-grandson, Mekhi J. Hess. She is also survived by a very supportive stepfamily including stepsister, Edith, wife of Dave Heckle, and their children Pamela Whallon, wife

of Pete, who was always there for Gloria to the eternal appreciation of the family, Sally Summers, wife of Rob, Mary Welk, and David Heckle, husband of Melanie. In addition to her husband, John J. (Jack) Hess, II, she was predeceased by her son, John J. Hess III.

The family would like to thank Homestead Village and the nurses and doctors at Penn Medicine Lancaster General Hospital for their extraordinary kindness in treating Gloria.

Interment will take place Saturday, June 26, 2021 at Our Lady of Consolation Cemetery, Parkesburg, followed by a family picnic at the Heckle Farm.

Donations in her honor to the Lancaster Humane Society or the charity of your choice.

Tribute Wall



“ *Gloria Sellers Hess*

October 22, 2023 at 11:34 PM



“ *I am sending this message of condolence more than a year following Gloria's passing, as I never saw her obituary. As the saying somewhat goes, perhaps - even though being sent at this late date - it is better now than never to extend my sympathies to Pat, my high school friend. Although our school graduation occurred quite some time ago (!), memories of your beautiful mother will be etched in my memory forever. Her welcoming smile whenever friends would come to your home, listening to your parents laughing and having fun together...Cotillion dances and immensely-fun parties and gatherings...my brother and your brother - both named John! - being close friends, cheerleading in all kinds of inclement weather while painstakingly maintaining a smile! - we surely lost touch over the years, but your precious family and our wonderful, shared times so positively touched my heart and life in many ways. Incidentally, your mother passed only three months following the passing of my mother, also in her 93rd year - and her service was at Groff's as well! - so sadly, our paths unknowingly somewhat crossed even at this later junction in life. May your life be blessed, Pat, with knowing that you are sweetly remembered...even from afar (Lancaster to North Carolina!), and my prayers will be with you; that you will find solace in knowing that your mother lived a life well spent - with grace, love, and a joy-filled spirit. Blessings to you always, Stephanie L. Schaefer*

Stephanie Schaefer - September 02, 2022 at 08:28 AM

BD

“ George (or Greg as you may remember him) and I are so sorry to hear about Gloria's passing. We both have memories of her at LCC and at various parties Nan and Bob threw over the years. It was always fun to talk with Gloria. She will be missed!

All our best, Barb Droz

Barbara Droz - July 01, 2021 at 03:12 PM

RS

“ Dear Pat and family members.
I knew Jack and Gloria from the early days at Intercourse, the mills, near Zook's Corner, and finally at Homestead (where my Mother resided and was well known to Gloria).

Gloria was always inquisitive and understanding.

I am sure she had good friends at LCC and Florida, as she was an exceptional golfer. In their days, she and Jack were active party goers. She lived a full life.

With deepest sympathy to all. She will be missed.

My best

Ron Smith

ron smith - June 27, 2021 at 09:45 AM

SC

“ Hi Pat,
I have such good memories of your Mom: She was a delight....always chatting with a smile....and she was the best putter!
Ox Suzanne

Suzanne Campbell - June 24, 2021 at 04:56 PM

PH

“Gloria was always a lady and a fantastic hostess as she was by Jack's side during the years that I worked with him as his Purina representative. She entertained Peggy and me in their Lancaster home and in Florida. We also enjoyed many dinners together at The Log Cabin.

One snowy night, Jack's big Cadillac wouldn't make it up the hill so the 4 of us hiked up the hill with both ladies in their high heels.

What a couple.

Paul Hann

Paul Hann - June 23, 2021 at 07:04 PM