



Virginia Latrobe Ruebensaal

March 12, 2013

Virginia Latrobe Ruebensaal, 92, of Greens Farms, Conn., died Monday, March 11, 2013, at Luthercare, in Lititz, Pa. Born in Baltimore, Md., she was the daughter of the late Ferdinand Claiborne Latrobe and Anne Aileen (Ford) Latrobe. She was married for 43 years to the late Clayton Frederick Ruebensaal, who died in January 1993.

Virginia spent her childhood in Maryland and was educated at the Visitation Convent School in Baltimore. She was the great-great-granddaughter of the architect Benjamin Henry Latrobe. A longtime resident of Greens Farms, Conn., she was a volunteer for 44 years in the Emergency Department of Norwalk Hospital, which honored her in 1998 with the President's Award for Outstanding Service. She received the Clara Barton Medal for her volunteer service with the American Red Cross and, in 2003, she received the Ruth Steinkraus-Cohen Memorial Outstanding Women of Connecticut Award. Virginia chaired the United Nations Hospitality Committee of Fairfield County and hosted many guests from the UN. In addition, she was a second-grade volunteer for 10 years for the School Volunteers Association of Bridgeport, Conn., and a member of St. Luke Catholic Church, Westport, Conn.

Virginia loved being a wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother and hosting family, friends and UN guests at her home on Rustic Lane. Her greatest joy was having a houseful of grandchildren gathered by the pool. She

traveled internationally, enjoyed playing bridge and riding horses.

She is survived by two daughters: Virginia Humphreys Robinson, married to Jesse C. Robinson, of Millersville, Pa.; and Elizabeth Latrobe Place, married to Kevin F. Place, of Kent, Conn. Also surviving are six grandchildren: Clayton Frederick Ruebensaal III, married to Rebecca Schmidt Ruebensaal, of Kensington, Md.; Virginia Alejandra Ruebensaal of Washington, D.C.; Katherine Erika Carter, married to Maurio R. Carter, of Bethesda, Md.; Aileen Ford Humphreys, married to Capt. Matthew M. James, of Washington, D.C.; 1st Lt. John Peniston Humphreys, married to Rachel Caplan Humphreys, of Emerald Isle, N.C.; and Ellen Elizabeth Latrobe Place of Charleston, S.C.; and daughter-in-law Blanca Alejandra Luisi Ruebensaal of Bethesda, Md. She is survived by her great-grandchild, Clayton Frederick Ruebensaal IV, and her brother, John H.B. Latrobe of Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. In addition to her husband and parents, Virginia was predeceased by her son, Clayton Frederick Ruebensaal, Jr., two sisters: Ann Aileen Heyrman and Ellen Elizabeth Wilson, and her brother, Ferdinand Claiborne Latrobe.

Virginia's family is grateful for the care she received from the wonderful staff at Luthercare's Gardenia Court and Healthcare Center Station One and the staff of Hospice & Community Care.

A memorial service will be held on Friday, April 5, 2013 at 1 p.m. at The Renwick Chapel, Oak Hill Cemetery, 3001 R Street, N.W., Washington D.C. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made in Virginia's name to UNICEF, 125 Maiden Lane, NY, NY 10038 (www.unicefusa.org) or Hospice & Community Care, Box 4125, Lancaster, PA 17604 (www.hospiceandcommunitycare.org).

Tribute Wall



“ *Virginia Latrobe Ruebensaal*

October 22, 2023 at 11:34 PM



“ *There's another angel in heaven...oh the waves of memories - from my earliest days and the walk through the woods to your house from Newtown Turnpike. What a constant gentle light your Mother carried within. I loved reading the obituary you put together for her - her steady volunteerism and giving service. The gentleness with which she saw the world. I can imagine Ginjr and I having been engaged in some dastardly rule breaking or risk talking and the worst she would ever say was "Aw...Suzie..."*

She was ever ready to see the good and the best in us. She entered every situation with SUCH grace and care. It seems to me she understood a great deal about making love manifest.

Dear dear Ginjr and Elizabeth -- I wish for you serenity and peace -- and wonderful openings to many memories in the gift of your Mom's life. I send blessings and love across these many miles...and may you walk into the rest of your lives here carrying the best of her within you. Love, Janie

Jane McILVAINE - March 14, 2013 at 11:52 AM

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“Gingr & Elizabeth,

So sad to hear of your mother's passing. I have been thinking of all of the Ruebensaals today and all of the good times our families have shared over the years; all because Aunt Ginny & Mom were the best of friends. I am sure they have picked up where they left off a few years back! With your mother gone, I feel like it's the end of an era.

I don't know if you remember, but she was my godmother. She was also the epitome of class and dignity and I know she will be missed very much by all of you. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your families.

Regards,

Susan

Susan McGehee - March 13, 2013 at 09:00 PM