



Mary Hickey Goss

November 12, 1925 - April 18, 2020

Mary Hickey Goss, age 94, of Portage, died peacefully on Saturday morning, April 18, 2020. Mary was born on November 12, 1925, in Brockton, MA, the daughter of Marion (Perkins) and Daniel Hickey. Mary graduated from Penn State University in 1946, majoring in biology and chemistry. She worked in research for Sharp and Dohme (Merck) where she met her future husband, Samuel Richard Goss, and they married on April 30, 1949. They raised their family in Maryland before moving to Michigan. Mary was employed by Waldo Library at Western Michigan University until her retirement in 1990.

Mary was a member of St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Kalamazoo.

Mary's hobbies included reading, gardening, knitting, and genealogy work. She was known in the family for her wonderfully knit Christmas stockings.

Mary is survived by her children, Nancy Ann (Richard) Graham, College Park, MD; Richard (Paula) Goss, Richland, MI; Susan (Tim) Allshouse, Adrian, MI; Judy Yaroch Goss, Macomb, MI; grandchildren, Katie Graham (Dave) King, Bear, DE; Sarah Graham (David) Juhasz, London, UK; Kelly Goss, Kalamazoo, MI; Matt Goss (Wallis Gaillard), Boston, MA; Chris (Andrea) Allshouse, North Richland Hills, TX; Emily Allshouse (Alex St. Clair) Farmington Hills, MI; Michael Goss, Clinton Township, MI; Stephen Goss, Mobile, AL; Jonathan (Alexis) Goss, New Baltimore, MI; Ryan Goss, Macomb, MI; six great grandchildren; her sister Ann Baker, Palm Beach Gardens, FL,

and nieces and nephews.

Mary is preceded in death by her parents, her brother Daniel, her husband of 70 years, S. Richard (2019), and her son Christopher Michael (2005).

A private burial will take place in Northumberland, PA, at a later date.

Memorials may be directed to: Kalamazoo Loaves and Fishes, 901 Portage St., Kalamazoo, MI 49001, Tel: 2693433663, Web: <http://www.kzoolf.org>, or Portage District Library, 300 Library Lane, Portage, MI 49002, www.portagelibrary.info, "Donate"

Arrangements have been entrusted to Wagley Funeral Home where online condolences and memories may be shared at www.WagleyFuneralHome.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Mary Hickey Goss*

January 28, 2023 at 12:24 PM



“ *Sending love to the Goss family and appreciation for all the wonderful times my mother (Barb Snow) cherished with Dick & Mary over the years. It brings a smile to think of them reunited for eternity. May God's peace flood you with happy thoughts and love. ~Ann*

Ann Snow Curry - April 23, 2020 at 09:14 AM



“ *Dear Dick, Susan and Nancy Ann,*

Sad, blessed and happy describe my feelings at this time. Sad to lose a long time neighbor and friend. Blessed to have known Mary {and Dick} since the 1970s on Hickory Point Drive and to have maintained that friendship over the years; additionally blessed in recent years to become closer to Dick, Susan and Nancy Ann. Finally, happy to know that Mary's long and full life, lives on in the lives of her family.

With love and sympathy, Bob Fogarty

Bob Fogarty - April 22, 2020 at 10:16 AM



Bless you, Bob. Thank you for the friendship with our parents and for caring so much for all of us. You are very special.

Sue Allshouse - April 22, 2020 at 10:07 PM

CM

“ We are keeping all of Mary’s family in our thoughts and prayers, not only today, but in the days, weeks, and months to come as you grieve her passing. The sweet memories I have while working under Mrs. Goss at WMU’s Waldo Library and visiting with Mr and Mrs. Goss through the years of friendship with Sue, have just become sweeter and more precious to me.
With love and deepest sympathy,
Michael and Cathy McGuire

Cathy McGuire - April 20, 2020 at 04:45 PM

SA

Thank you, Cathy. We share so many great memories and I treasure your friendship.

Sue Allshouse - April 22, 2020 at 09:58 PM

SH

“ I always loved visiting with Dick and Mary Goss. They enjoyed seeing Sue's friends and always made you feel welcome and special. Mary had such a sweet smile and quick wit and she has left a wonderful legacy through her beautiful family. What a blessed life she had. We are keeping all of her family in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.
Jeff & Sue Henshaw

Susan E Henshaw - April 20, 2020 at 10:17 AM

SA

Thank you so much for your support and love.

Sue Allshouse - April 22, 2020 at 10:03 PM