



Peggy (Hartranft) Irwin

September 17, 1930 - May 9, 2012

Peggy Jo Irwin, 81, of Oaks peacefully passed away in her home Wednesday, May 9, 2012. As was always her wish, Peg was surrounded by her beloved felines, as well as close friends and family as she succumbed to her recent diagnosis of lymphoma. Peggy was born in her childhood home in Jeffersonville, Pennsylvania on September 17, 1930. She graduated from Norristown High School in 1948 and from Temple University's Tyler School of Fine Arts in 1952. In September of 1952, Peggy married Wm. Howard Irwin, who preceded her in death in 1994. Peggy held several jobs throughout her long-standing career, including occupational therapy positions during her early working years, and a variety of clerical positions, including businesses such as Rider Truck Rentals and Williams Form, in her later years. However, Peg will be most-remembered for her true passion, which was being self-employed as owner and primary instructor of The Oakwin School of Dance for 32 years. In addition to her excellent dance ability, Peg was known for her keen sense of humor, which continued to entertain those around her until her very last day. Peg is survived by her daughter, Tina (Irwin) Sizing and son-in-law Mike Sizing of Little Torch Key, Florida. She is also survived by her grandsons and their families: Benjamin Sauter & Leigh Bernardo and their children, Annalisa & Ethan Sauter of Montoursville; and Nathan & Joy Sauter and their children, Justin & Dominic Sauter of Philipsburg. Additionally, Peg is survived by extremely close friends, who have been like daughters for decades, including Kathy Aquilante Criswell, Lori Berry Raggazino and Valerie Ziegenfus Beers.

The family is very grateful for the love and care these “daughters” continued to give Peg, and would also like to express their sincere gratitude to Fran Hawkins, Peg's long-time friend, and care-givers Linda Dennis and Helene Kerney, R. N. for the diligent care and love provided during Peg's final months. A memorial service will be held on Thursday, June 14 at 6:30 p.m. In accordance to Peg's wishes, the service will be held at Green Tree Church of the Brethren, where she recently felt very welcomed by the congregation as a new member. In lieu of cut flowers, living plants or donations to an animal protection agency of choice would be greatly appreciated.

Tribute Wall

CQ

“ *My sincere Condolences to Peggy's family. I have great memories of dance classes in Oaks, my mom used to make alot of the TuTus. Peggy was a great lady. Rest in Peace Peggy.*

Colleen Philipanics Quinn - July 19, 2013 at 08:35 AM

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“ *I was thinking about Peg just a few days ago. She was a frequent visitor to my store, AVJ Natural Cat up until a couple years ago. I even met Friday, one of her adored felines. On several occasions she would be sitting in her car waiting for me to open on a Saturday morning reading a book. Once she was so involved she didn't notice the parking "guard" marking her tire . She came in, spent a few minutes talking an existed to a parking ticket. We had many discussions covering many topics. I missed seeing her when she stopped coming by. My thoughts are with you.*

Nancy - Naturalcat@comcast.net - July 19, 2013 at 08:35 AM

TE

“ *So sorry to hear of Peggy's passing. I worked with her many years ago where she gave her time and compassion to many handicapped adults. Thinking of her family during this time.*

Terry - July 19, 2013 at 08:35 AM

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“ *My deepest sympathy to Peggy's family. I woked with her for a number of years and always thought of her as not only my co-worker, but my friend. I know she's "upstairs" being as feisty as ever.*

Phyllis Rush - July 19, 2013 at 08:35 AM