



## Mrs Martha J Bressette

July 30, 1926 - March 18, 2020

Martha J. Bressette, 93, formerly of North Adams, died Wednesday at Berkshire Medical Center in Pittsfield.

Born in Medford, MA July 30, 1926, the daughter of Emil Otto Lundblad and Mary Ellen Jordan Lundblad, she graduated from Medford High School. An accomplished artist, she graduated from the School of Practical Art in Boston in 1946 and earned her bachelor's degree in Education from North Adams State College in 1962.

She married Frederick K. Bressette in Medford on August 20, 1960 and together they raised their two children at the family home in North Adams. They retired to York Beach, ME where they enjoyed many happy memories with family and friends before moving to Sagamore Beach, MA in 1998. Mr. Bressette died March 15, 2006. Mrs. Bressette returned to the Berkshires to make her home with her daughter in Middlefield several months ago. She led a life of faith and had been a communicant of Corpus Christi Parish in Sandwich.

Survivors include her daughter Melissa Bressette and husband Richard LeClair of Middlefield; son Christopher Bressette and wife Noreen of Sandwich, MA; grandchildren Georgia Bressette of Sandwich and Bridget and Benjamin Bressette, both of Boston; sister Ann Hunt of Fairhaven, MA and

brother Walter Lundblad of Virginia. She was predeceased by seven other siblings: Helen Zona, Rita Hunt, Charles Lundblad, Edgar Lundblad, Robert Lundblad, Mary Conway and John Lundblad. She also leaves her cherished friends Judith Kozak-Shaw and Corinne Lepotakis Keegan.

Mrs. Bressette was a devoted mother and grandmother. A prolific life-long artist, she shared the joy of art with multiple generations of friends. Always a champion of the under-dog, she inspired others with an unwavering commitment to show empathy and kindness in all situations and to always do the right thing, even when it was hard. Her patient kindness, infectious sense of humor, and fierce competitiveness will now live on through her grandchildren's inherited personality traits. She lived by the motto that there is always time for dessert.

In keeping with precautions recommended by state and federal officials regarding the coronavirus and out of concern for the health and safety of all who would attend, a Funeral Mass, followed by a reception, will be celebrated for Mrs. Martha J. Bressette in Corpus Christie Parish, Sandwich, at a date and time to be announced. A private burial will take place later this week in the family lot in Southview Cemetery in North Adams. In lieu of flowers, donations in her memory may be made to Elder Services of Berkshire County in care of ROCHE FUNERAL HOME, 120 Main Street, Lenox, MA 01240

# Tribute Wall

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“ I attended North Adams State College during Martha's first year. She was such a positive, helpful and nice person. I remember our times together with a big smile. Bev Sherman

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**Bev Sherman** - March 21, 2020 at 08:38 AM

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“ Our sincere condolences to the Bressette Family. Chris, Noreen, Mimi, Richard, Ben, Bridgette and Georgia. As a nearby neighbor; I was blessed to know Martha. When I would go over to see her, she would have atleast 5 art projects going. She was a very talented artist and we worked on some projects when I operated a private music and art school. Martha came in as a student and would go around and critique our drawings and paintings. We all learned so much from her. She loved Fox 25 news. One time she called me at 11:30 at night to see if I was watching Fox 25, (I had been sleeping) but stayed up to listen to her views on the news report. In quiet conversation; we would talk about religion and the Bible. We both enjoyed the book 'The Prophet' and decided to study Gilbran. We had many brunches and lunches that the Rands hosted. Fun dinners at our home with Fred and Martha. I learned so much from Martha. I know I will never again meet someone like her. We were blessed to have known them both and they were a part of our lives. So while our hearts are sad; I will think of the many things we did and cherish those memories.

*Lorraine and Peter Thompson*

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**Lorraine Thompson** - March 20, 2020 at 11:37 AM