



Mary-Jane Tichenor

April 9, 2012

Mary-Jane English Tichenor, 89, of Lenox, died April 9, 2012, of heart failure while visiting her daughter, Mary Lloyd Smith, in North Falmouth, for Easter weekend. She had just had a wonderful day visiting with her grandchildren's families and seven of her great grandchildren, enjoying an Easter brunch and watching a raucous Easter egg hunt.

She was a longtime resident of Pittsfield, graduating from Pittsfield High School and attending Bennington College. She worked for over 45 years for The Berkshire Eagle as a reporter, social editor, and business reporter, retiring from the Eagle when she was 75.

She loved her job and enjoyed the role of reporting on the daily goings-on of Pittsfield and the Pittsfield community, reporting on social events from weddings to Tanglewood parties.

She moved to Kimball Farms in 2007 after spending most of her life at Bartlett Avenue in Pittsfield. She enjoyed visiting her daughter and grandchildren's families, playing bridge, shopping and enjoying the Falmouth beaches. She also was an avid reader, consuming several books a week.

She is survived by her daughter, Mary-Lloyd Smith and her son-in-law, Robert M. Smith, of North Falmouth; her granddaughter, Cynthia Duffy of Newton, and her husband, James Duffy, and their children, Rebecca, Will, Luke, Jack and Sam; her grandson, Benjamin Smith of Carlisle, and his wife, Karen, and their children, Dylan, Nathan, and Max.

There will be a calling hour from 10 to 11 a.m. on Wednesday, April 11, at

Roche Funeral Home, 120 Main St., Lenox, MA, followed by an 11 a.m. service at the Funeral Home Chapel.

Family and friends are invited to a celebration of Mary Jane's life at the Kimball Farm assembly room immediately following the service. Burial will be private.

In lieu of flowers, donations in her name may be made to the charity of your choice.