



## Mrs. Natalie Stein

April 20, 1926 - August 16, 2023

Natalie Stein, 97, of Lenox, Massachusetts, passed away peacefully on August 16, 2023, at Kimball Farms Nursing Home. Born in New York City on April 20, 1926, to Mortimer and Rebecca (Hirsh) Foss, she was a graduate of the Hunter Model School in New York City and Mount Holyoke College in South Hadley, Massachusetts, and received an M.A. in Psychology from the University of Pennsylvania and an M.S. in Library Science from Columbia University in New York City.

Natalie began her career as a librarian at Ardsley (NY) High School before going on to Fox Lane High School in Bedford, NY, retiring in her seventies.

Natalie and her late husband, Robert Stein, whom she met after misdialing someone else's phone number, were married for over seventy years.

Natalie loved books, gardening, and theater. An eternal optimist, Natalie could find the good in almost anyone and anything. Her idyllic childhood memories of Raquette Lake Camp for Girls were re-created for her family on Laurel Lake, where Natalie, her mother and her two boys spent their summers.

A devoted daughter and mother, Natalie is survived by her sons Edward M. Stein (Katie Connolly) of West Stockbridge and Kerry D. Stein (Jean Marie) of Lenox, grandchildren Morgan and Jackson Stein, and her sister Beejay Brown

(Dr. Donald Brown) of Richmond, VA.

There will be a private funeral, with a memorial at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations in her memory may be made to HospiceCare of the Berkshires in care of the ROCHE FUNERAL HOME, 120 Main St., Lenox, MA 01240.