



Gillette Phillips

June 1, 1919 - October 4, 2016

Gillette Phillips, 97, died peacefully on October 4, 2016 at her home in Columbus due to complications from Alzheimer's disease. Born the daughter of Jules Courquin and Berthe Barroo in Hernicourt, France, Gillette survived the ravages of WWII in France, and was fortunate to find the love of her life at a chance meeting at a small café in Paris following the war. Her romance with her husband Frank, who predeceased her in 2007, continued for 60 years as they traveled the world together as a military family, finally settling in Columbus after Frank's Air Force retirement while at McGuire AFB. Like many war brides of the era, Gillette had the courage and resilience to leave her homeland and family after the war to travel to the U.S. to raise a family and manage a hectic life in the military while overcoming cultural and language challenges. Gillette was an accomplished professional tailor and excellent cook. She enjoyed traveling, gardening and yard sales but, mostly, she treasured caring for her family, spending time with her grandson and entertaining friends. Gillette is survived by her daughter Dolores, of Lawrenceville, her son Daniel and grandson Tyler of Lumberton, her niece Arlette Pigois and her family of Chatou, France and her cousin Paulette Varnier of Osny, France. Funeral services will be private. Interment will be at the BG Doyle Memorial Cemetery. Due to the cemetery's restrictions on flowers, donations in Gillette's memory may be made to Samaritan Hospice, 5 Eves Drive, Suite 300, Marlton, NJ 08053. À la prochaine, mère.

Cemetery Details

BGWCD Veteran's Memorial Cemetery

350 Provinceline Rd.,
Wrightstown, NJ

Tribute Wall



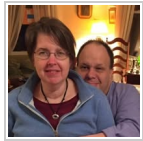
“ *Gillette Phillips*

October 29, 2022 at 11:57 AM



“ *Gillette Phillips*

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“ *Sally Johnson-Kyle lit a candle in memory of
Gillette Phillips*



Sally Johnson-Kyle - October 11, 2016 at 06:22 PM



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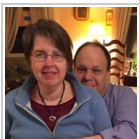
“ *My Dear Mom:*

I will always miss you and love you. I thank you for sharing your French heritage with me and for teaching me French, teaching me sewing, teaching me to bake, teaching me about French food, and introducing me to all my French relatives and your French friends. I cannot believe that You are no longer here to call at night and say Bonne Nuit every night.No longer here to sing Non, je ne regrette rien with Edith Piaf records. I sincerely hope there was no protracted suffering for you by this disease called Alzheimer's. I will work to help stop it, but more importantly, I know that your spirit of life and soul are still here on the planet, perhaps in another being, perhaps back in France, I will always try to call it back up and feel it, feel it through the hands that I remember.

Non, je ne regrette rien!

Love and kisses, la petite FIFI, your daughter, Doe

Dolores A. Phillips - October 10, 2016 at 10:53 PM



“ *Dearest Doe, you have shown me what true love, affection and dedication looks like when it came to taking care of your maman. May you find peace, comfort and healing in due time. Remember grief doesn't have a timetable.*



Sally Johnson-Kyle - October 10, 2016 at 10:41 PM



“ I will always remember Gillette s sweet disposition and great sense of humor. I enjoyed spending many cozy evenings with her watching masterpiece theatre with her and her daughter Dolores. I loved speaking french with Gillette over tea and french biscuits and will miss her smile immensely. Prayers to my dear friend Gillette You are now in heaven among Angels .
Ton amie Claire Vichnevetsky
Xxxooo

Claire Vichnevetsky - October 09, 2016 at 09:48 PM



“ Dolores, My sincere condolences in the loss of your mother. I am sure the time you spent at your mom's side during her struggles meant a great deal. It is truly the greatest gift we can give. I know this is an extremely difficult time and I wish you comfort and peace.
Judy

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