



Phyllis Jane Cadwalader

July 11, 1924 - August 11, 2016

Phyllis Jane Clegg Cadwalader, Artist (Mrs. Thomas Francis Cadwalader)
Phyllis Jane (Jonnie) Clegg Cadwalader died on August 11, 2016, at Symphony Manor Assisted Living. She was 92 years old. She was born in 1924 in the Rhondda Valley, Wales, to Earnest William and Rachel Hadley Clegg. The family moved to Jersey in the Channel Islands in 1931. Mrs. Cadwalader was educated in Jersey and in England, traveling to Jersey for the holidays, but when she was 15 she was evacuated to England, on a coal barge, just days before the German invasion of the islands. Her parents, not wishing to lose their business, remained behind, and she was cut off from them until the end of the war. She lived with relatives in Wales briefly before, at age 16, she 'borrowed' her 18 year-old cousin's birthdate so she could enlist in the ATS (Auxiliary Territorial Service, the women's branch of the British army). She served as a records clerk, Royal Artillery records. In November 1941, she married Flight Sergeant Thomas L. J. Norrie, a rear gunner in the Royal Canadian Air Force. Sergeant Norrie was killed in action June 2, 1942, over Holland after the 2nd 1000 bomber raid on Essen. Their son, Thomas Lloyd Robert Norrie (now Cadwalader), was born October 16 of that year.

She met her future husband, then-Lieutenant Thomas Francis Cadwalader, Jr., U. S. Army, in 1943, during an overnight train trip she took to rent a cottage near Land's End for herself and her infant son. They formed an almost

instant connection, and he came to visit her in Cornwall as often as he could. They became engaged after Lt. Cadwalader was wounded the day following his D-Day landing in 1944 and sent back to England to recover. After the liberation of Jersey in 1945, Mrs. Cadwalader returned to the island. She married Thomas Francis Cadwalader, Jr., on January 31, 1946, in Jersey, and they returned to the U.S. in March, with Robert, whom Mr. Cadwalader adopted.

Mrs. Cadwalader, after a life-long avocation for drawing, began painting in 1977, studying with Elizabeth Mitchell and later with Frederick Shuler Briggs. British landscape painter Rowland Hilder, OBE, was a valued friend and adviser as well. Mrs. Cadwalader became an accomplished artist in oil, pastel, and watercolor. She showed in solo and juried exhibits, winning numerous awards for her work. She was a signature member of the Baltimore Watercolor Society. She also enjoyed English cryptic crosswords, needlepoint and knitting, and gardening. She read voraciously on a wide variety of subjects, and had a phenomenal memory - especially for poetry, which she loved. She traveled extensively with her husband in Europe, Greece, and Turkey, which inspired many of her paintings.

In addition to her son Robert and his wife Christina, Mrs. Cadwalader is survived by two daughters, Elizabeth Jane Cadwalader and her husband Eugene Baron, and Sophia Francis Cadwalader Hayes and her husband J. Stoddard Hayes, Jr., as well as nine grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren. Her husband died in 2007, and her brother, Albert Hadley Clegg, predeceased her by two years.

A funeral service will be held at St. Stephens Traditional Episcopal Church, 11856 Mays Chapel Rd, Timonium, MD, 21093 at 11 o'clock, Monday, August 15, 2016. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Nature Conservancy, 4245 North Fairfax Drive, Suite 100, Arlington, VA 22203, or to

Alley Animals, P.O. Box 27487, Towson, Maryland 21285.

Previous Events

Funeral Service

AUG **15**. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Stephens Episcopal Church
11856 Mays Chapel Road
Timonium, MD 21093

Tribute Wall

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“ Dear Sophie,

Theresa and I were saddened to hear of the passing of your mother. Josh always spoke of her in glowing terms and said she was a remarkable woman. From reading her story, she certainly had a long, wonderful, and fulfilled life! You and your family will be in our thoughts and prayers.

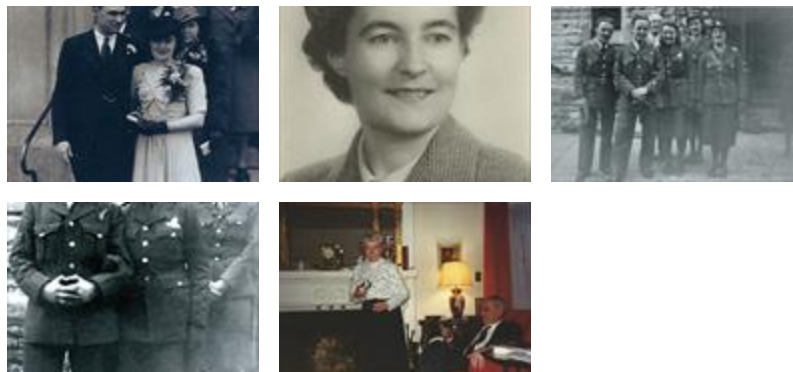
Sincerely,

Dan and Theresa Ellabarger

Dan Ellabarger - August 16, 2016 at 10:40 AM

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“ Grandmummy also loved poetry and could, even in the last year of her life, recite a number of poems by heart, including her favourite, *Elegy Written in a Country Churchyard*, by Thomas Gray. She was also an avid reader and enjoyed historical monographs as well as British mystery novels by authors such as Ngaio Marsh, Josephine Tey, and Wilkie Collins. Music was also an interest of hers. She took great joy in listening to music and in having lovely singing voices in the family, including her son, Bobby; her grandson, Jas; and her great-grandson, Will. Her most particular interest and concern was, of course, for her family. It would not be possible to imagine a more devoted, steadfast, loving mother/grandmother/great-grandmother. She was unfailingly fair and kind to everyone she came across, even in trying circumstances, and was, thus, universally adored and admired. She will be deeply, deeply missed by her grandchildren and great-grandchildren: Jas, Josh, Owen, Heather, Catherine, Andrew, Richard, Ian, Thomas, Will, Tommy, Alex, Hadley, Lauren, and Logan, as well as by her sons and daughters-in-law. Her humour, wit, curiosity, intelligence, talent, generosity, and strength are, and shall remain, unmatched.

Heather Schwartz - August 12, 2016 at 04:20 PM