

## **Carol Warringer Ohley**

January 12, 1921- August 28, 2020

Carol (Warringer) Ohley, died peacefully on Thursday, August 28, 2020, at the age of 99. Born in Saugerties, New York, she married George B. Ohley Jr., also of Saugerties, in 1947. The couple moved to Long Island in 1951, where they raised their two children, Lillian Ohley-Tannebaum (Lee), a vocalist and musician who lives in New Port Richey, Florida, and Dr. William J. Ohley, a professor of biomedical engineering at the University of Rhode Island. She was the daughter of Lillian Amanda Roosa and Ferdinand Barton Warringer, both of Saugerties.

In 1977, Carol and George retired to Newport Richey, Florida. Carol continued to work as an administrator for the New York State Civil Service Employees Association, Florida Division, New Port Richey. She was also a Royal Matron of the Order of the Amaranth, New Port Richey. She was a volunteer for the Highway 52 Firehouse in Hudson, Florida.

An amateur musician, Carol loved to sing, play the piano, and the organ. She was an avid traveler, and with her husband George, who died in 2008, visited almost every state in the US. They traveled extensively to South America and Europe. She was an excellent seamstress and loved to crochet, making a blanket for each new grandchild, niece, or nephew who came into the family.

As a child, Carol was active in the Campfire Girls Chapter in Saugerties, earning badges in every possible category. Stories of swimming in upper Esopus Creek, exploring the Indian caves above town, rowing on the Hudson, or riding in a horse drawn sled during a winter storm, were family favorites passed down to her children and grandchildren. Carol was a Daughter of the American Revolution as a descendant of the Roosa family who came to the US in the 1600's, and also Native American, with ancestry tracing back to the Wappinger tribe of southeastern New York.

She loved spending time with her family and grandchildren, and at the age of 95, moved to Rhode Island to be near her son William, his wife Margaret Bucheit, her granddaughter Mercedes Ohley-Buchreit, and her great grandson, Luca Maxwell Reis.

She leaves five grandchildren, Lisa Blackwood, Curtis and Matthew Tregoning, Mercedes Ohley-Buchreit, Lauren Tannebaum-Shannon, and, eight great grandchildren, as well as many nieces and nephews in Maryland, Florida, New York and Texas.

Both Carol and George were avid lighthouse fans and visited many of the historic beacons on the eastern coast of the United States. In honor of her memory, friends and family are asked to consider a donation in her name to the Saugerties Lighthouse Conservancy, Post Office Box 654, Saugerties, New York, 12477