

MARJORIE (SHERRER) O'NEIL - ST. JOHNSBURY - Marjorie "Marge" Lilla O'Neil, 95, of St. Johnsbury, passed away on April 7, 2015, at Canterbury Inn. Marjorie was born to the late Harold J. and Julia Sherrer on May 3, 1919, in Lyndonville. At a young age, she moved to St. Johnsbury where she lived the rest of her life enjoying and enriching the community around her. She graduated from St. Johnsbury Academy, where she developed lasting friendships that remained important to her throughout her life. First and foremost, Marjorie loved her family and leaves behind her three daughters, Sue Grayson and her husband, Don, of Farmington, Conn., Peg Soucy and her husband, Phil, of Springfield, Va., and Marianne O'Neil of South Burlington; six grandchildren, Kelly Patton, Corey and Amanda Gingue, Jenny Hayes, Charlie and Andy Grayson; 11 great-grandchildren; along with many nieces, nephews and cousins. Marjorie had a particularly special connection with her great-grandson, Logan, who lovingly referred to her as "GG Marge." Marge was predeceased by her husband, Larry; and siblings, Dwayne Sherrer, Paul Sherrer, Mary Ellen Wheelock, and Marilyn Jean Sherrer. Marge had a wonderful sense of humor, surpassed only by her sense of style and strength. She loved to dance, and it was at a dance, shortly after graduating from high school, where she met her loving husband of 60 years, Larry. She will be remembered for the joy she found in opening her home to family and friends for holidays and also for her creative spirit. She loved to sew, making countless evening dresses, cheerleader and majorette uniforms for her own daughters as well as for others. She had a passion for cooking and was known for her chicken divan, yum-yum cake, and chocolate chip cookies. She developed a love for quilling and created beautiful snowflakes that will adorn family and friends' Christmas trees for years to come. She enjoyed gardening, was a member of the Seed & Weed Garden Club, and took great pride in her prize-winning flower arrangements. As an active member of the Grace United Methodist Church, she taught Sunday school and participated in and cherished the friendships made through the BYOBB Bible study. She played an active role in the Arlington School PTA, was a Girl Scout leader and president of the American Legion Auxiliary. An avid athlete, she was nicknamed "Babe Didrickson" in high school for her

proWess on the basketball court. She continued to pursue her love of sports throughout her life and particularly enjoyed golf and skiing. With her husband, Larry, and friends in the area, she established the 13 Ski Club. She loved reading and was a member of the Great Books Club. In addition to her community involvement, she also held down a number of jobs including working as a secretary at the school superintendents office and the medical records department at NVRH. The family would like to take this opportunity to thank Brittany Machell, Marge's longtime personal companion and caregiver; Dr. Timothy Tanner and his medical staff at Danville Health Center; Wanda Waugh and the dedicated, caring nurses and staff at Canterbury Inn; and Caledonia Home Health Care & Hospice. A private celebration of Marge's life will be held in the spring. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Grace United Methodist Church, 36 Central St., St. Johnsbury, VT; or Canterbury Inn, 46 Cherry St., St. Johnsbury, VT 05819.