



Ruth Aileen Gufler

September 8, 2023

Ruth Aileen Gufler, loving wife, mother, grandmother and great grandmother, passed away peacefully on September 8, 2023 at the age of 98. She was born on May 25, 1925 in Brooklyn, New York, to the Late Henry Lloyd Layer and Ruth (Cleveland) Layer.

As a young adult, Ruth moved with her family to Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania, and then moved to North Scituate, Rhode Island in 1960, where she lived with her husband the Late Albert W. Gufler and their 5 children.

She worked for Bell Telephone in Philadelphia, Brown University in Providence, and later worked at Rhode Island Health Services in Providence. Ruth loved spending lots of time working in her flower gardens. She enjoyed painting landscapes of places in and around North Scituate. The ocean was one of her favorite places to be and for many summers she vacationed on Block Island.

Ruth was a past president of the Gentian Garden Club in Scituate. She served on the board of the Scituate Art Festival Committee for many years. Ruth was a member of the Shepherd of the Valley United Methodist Church for many years. She loved volunteering for the church and her local seniors group.

She is survived by her daughter, Karen L. Greenleaf and her husband, Christopher DeLaRosa, of Westminster, Colorado; son Albert L. Gufler and his

wife, Diane of Warwick, Rhode Island; daughter Barbara Susan Gufler Brown of Harrisville, Rhode Island; and son, Martin C. Gufler and his wife Terri of Swedesboro, New Jersey, daughter-in-law Carolyn Mary Gufler of Coventry, Rhode Island. She was the mother of the late Christopher W. Gufler and sister of the late Carolyn Abernathy and Jay Layer.

Ruth is survived by grandchildren Jonathan Greenleaf, Jason Newton, Stefanie Greenleaf, Bryan Newton, Courtenay Greenleaf Torren, Brooke Brown Mackenzie, Nicole DeMarzo, Aaron Gufler, Paige Couture, and Samantha Gufler.

She is also survived by 10 great grandchildren.

Family and friends are invited to calling hours at Winfield & Sons Funeral Home, 571 Greenville Road in North Scituate on Thursday, September 14th from 4:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Ruth's Funeral Service will be held on the morning of Friday, September 15th at the Shepherd of the Valley United Methodist Church, 604 Seven Mile Road, Hope, Rhode Island at 10:00 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to Hope Health Hospice, 1085 North Main Street, Providence, RI 02904; Attention: Philanthropy

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **14.** 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Winfield & Sons Funeral Home and Crematory
571 West Greenville Road (Route 116)
Scituate, RI 02857
(401) 647-5421

Funeral Service

SEP **15.** 10:00 AM (ET)

Shepherd of the Valley United Methodist Church
604 Seven Mile Road
Scituate, RI 02831

Tribute Wall

CT

“ *Aileen was the epitome of dignity and grace, showering everyone with acceptance and kindness. She was part of an amazing team who visited my mom when my mom was in assisted living, and then as a resident herself, she was welcoming and warm. Many condolences to her loving family.*
Chris and Ken Taylor

Chris Taylor - September 17, 2023 at 02:47 PM

JW

“ *My sympathy to her family on your loss, especially Karen, my classmate from long ago. I enjoyed her fellowship at church over the years.*

John

John Woulfe - September 16, 2023 at 05:18 PM

KA

Thank you, John. That means a lot to all of us.

Karen - September 20, 2023 at 12:06 AM

CM

“ *Oh remember the days Karen and I would practice Barre, and Jr Gentians - Amazing life and wonderful women - so happy to have known her - Bill, Kathy, Cecile and Susan Bartlett -*

Cile moreno - September 12, 2023 at 06:39 PM

KA

Thank you, Cile. Yes, wonderful memories!

Karen - September 20, 2023 at 12:09 AM

HB

“ My condolences to you all. I remember Aileen from her many years at Shepherd of the Valley, always impeccably dressed complete with hat. She was one of our church "mothers" and contributed so much over the years. She has been missed there, as I'm sure you will all miss her as well. --Hannah and John Lombardo

Hannah Bell-Lombardo - September 12, 2023 at 12:15 PM

TM

Aunt Aileen was such a wonderful presence in our family. I will miss her!!



Tracey Marino - September 12, 2023 at 07:27 PM

AF

The residents and employees at St. Elizabeth's Court send condolences to the family and friends of Aileen. Aileen was a wonderful person here at the Court.

Annie Frechette - September 14, 2023 at 05:59 AM

SG

It was a great pleasure having Aileen as a neighbor and getting to know her through Gentian Garden club

Sharon Gainey - September 16, 2023 at 05:19 PM

BS

To the entire family: (especially Susan who was in the 7th grade when I first taught in Scituate and met your wonderful mother who had the patience of job and the understanding of all around her who she shared her love and concern. Hopefully you all inherited some of her wonderful traits. My best to you all and think of the "good times" Barbara Sherman Stetson, North Scituate.

Barbara Sherman Stetson - September 17, 2023 at 03:22 PM

TA

Aileen was a wonderful, caring and thoughtful person. She was so kind and friendly to everyone and a very positive person. We are so grateful that we were friends.

Joe and Tara Anderson

Tara Anderson - September 19, 2023 at 08:08 PM