



Esther L. (Hillard) Deppner

April 18, 1936 - December 28, 2022

Esther L. (Hillard) Deppner, 86, passed away on December 28, 2022 in Leominster, MA after a long battle with Parkinson's Disease.

Born in Kingston, PA on April 18, 1936, she was the daughter of Franklin D. Hillard and Ruth Cannon Hillard. She was a graduate of Kingston High School where she was the only female in the marching band.

In 1960, she married Lewis J. Deppner of Wilkes-Barre, PA, and they later moved to Hyde Park, NY. He predeceased her in 2000.

Esther worked as a secretary to State Supreme Court Justice Judith Hillary for 33 years. She was a seamstress, an avid NY Giants football fan and loved going to Disney World with her husband. She was also a swim mother, spending many weekends at the pool and traveling to meets.

Esther is survived by her daughters, Diana Karron of Kingston, NY and Kristina Mastovich and son-in-law Martin of Shirley, MA. She has seven grandchildren: Michael Mastovich, Martin Mastovich and Kayla Mastovich of Massachusetts and Saman Soltankhah, Shaheen "Duke" Soltankhah, Joan Karron and Edward Karron of Kingston, NY. She also has three great-grandchildren.

In addition to her husband, she is pre-deceased by her parents and her brother, Frank Hillard.

A celebration of Esther's life will be held in the spring with details to be announced.

The Anderson Funeral Home, 25 Fitchburg Rd., Ayer, MA is assisting the family with the funeral arrangements. For further information or to leave an online condolence please visit their website at www.andersonfuneral.com

Tribute Wall

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“ I’ve known Esther since the days her children were small and I was just married! I worked for Lew in Hyde Park....and often wondered how Esther was able to keep him under wraps! (Just joking!). She was a strong, caring and sweet person and will be missed by many.

Donna Marie Arrigale - January 11, 2023 at 04:59 PM

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“ Esther was a wonderful person to know. I worked with her for many years and she was sometimes referred to as “my Esther.” She deeply loved Lew, her daughters and grandchildren. And her family loved her back and always saw to her needs. I know she will be deeply missed.

Christine Sproat - December 30, 2022 at 06:31 AM

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I am so sorry to hear about your mom, Diana and Krissie. She always seemed the epitome of beauty and elegance to me summer after summer at the Club.

Judith Knauss - December 30, 2022 at 07:13 PM