



Laurestine Gill Heyert

April 21, 1929 - September 2, 2022

L. Gill Murray Heyert, 93, of Chevy Chase, Md., passed away peacefully from natural causes on September 2nd, 2022.

Gill was born April 21st, 1929, to Mary Edith Canter (deceased) and Laurence Rodey Murray (deceased) in Washington, DC. Gill went on to attend American University receiving her Bachelor's degree in Fine Arts. She became a commercial artist and worked at Theatre Lobby where she met her future husband, Martin "Marty" Heyert. They married April 5th, 1957. Gill and Marty shared a loving lifetime of travel, opera, performances at The Kennedy Center, and the company of dear friends around the world.

Gill is survived by cousins Debbie Goode-Frank, Steven Goode, Laura Long Lieberman, and Rachel Long; along with Marty's nieces and nephews: Peter Schwadel, his wife, Kathy, Susan Krell, Ellen Krell Factor; and goddaughter, Reid Norris Buckley.

Gill will be lovingly remembered by family and friends as a passionate, spirited individual who never hesitated to speak her mind.

In lieu of flowers, please donate directly to The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts or American University for the Department of Fine Arts.

Written condolences may be sent to Laura Lieberman, PO Box 313, Lovettsville, VA 20180.

Tribute Wall

RS

“ Gill and Marty were the greatest neighbours you could ever wish for. We had great times together while I lived in Q Lane and we stayed in touch after I returned to Germany . You will be sadly missed, my birthday friend, and my distant Murray relative. You were the kindest, and nicest person to have as a friend.

Rachel Schreitter - September 20, 2022 at 08:23 AM

KS

“ The end of an amazing and wonderful era.

Kathryn Scott - September 14, 2022 at 07:30 PM

DG

“ We will miss your wit and spirited, interesting conversation. I will always appreciate your devotion and kindness to me, Richie and my son, Steve.

Deb Goode - September 11, 2022 at 04:46 PM

BG

“ Gill and Marty were our friends (my late wife Rosalie and I) from the 1950s, Rosalie was at their wedding in WV. Our intimacy was highlighted by mutual overseas visits--we to them in Rome and Frankfurt; they to us in Berlin. The support they gave us over the years is unimaginable and we tried to reciprocate. Gill's artistry and Marty's engineering mind made them such wonderful companions and discussion partners. Our lives were enhanced by knowing them; now my life is not diminished by their passing, but filled with such wonderful memories. Thank you Gill and Marty.

Burton Gerber - September 06, 2022 at 08:30 AM

PS

“ Aunt Gill was unlike anyone else in my family while I was growing up. She was so worldly and introduced me to new cultures and ideas (and she showed me that older relatives can be fun). Visiting with her and Uncle Marty was the highlight of my childhood trip to DC. She was also my vegetarian role model (22 years and counting, but still lagging far behind her). So happy I got to know her better while I lived in DC for a year.

Philip Schwadel - September 05, 2022 at 09:50 AM

SK

“ Gill's independence and spirit were so enjoyable...an early vegetarian, avid art lover, lover of fine music. It was lovely spending time with them.

Susan Krell - September 04, 2022 at 01:01 PM

KS

“ I was late to the party. I met Gill when I married Peter. What a force of nature! She was clever, super bright and never hesitated to speak her mind. I loved that about her. She was also quite a talented artist, and reflected that artistic eye in her dress and her home. Black and white were the constant backdrops in her clothing and her decor. Seemed like her energy, wit and spirit were all the color she needed. I will miss you, Gill! Kathy Schwadel

Kathy Schwadel - September 04, 2022 at 12:01 PM

PS

“ I will cherish the wonderful times I had with my Aunt Gill and Uncle Marty both in DC and in NY. One summer night, many many decades ago, my Aunt Gill made dinner for us and put an artichoke in front of me as a first course. I had never seen nor tasted one before. It was one of many treats she exposed me to over the years. When she could no longer attend the Kennedy Center, she would spend Sunday afternoons hours blissfully immersed in opera on PBS, and heaven help you if you phoned her during those times :) Aunt Gill was one of a kind...bright, informed and always learning. I will miss her. Peter Schwadel

Peter Schwadel - September 04, 2022 at 11:37 AM

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“ We are deeply sorry for your loss ~ Simplicity Cremation & Funeral Services

A Memorial Tree was planted for Laurestine Gill Heyert - September 03, 2022 at 12:50 PM