



Marjorie Lowry Cope

November 1, 2017

Cope, Marjorie (nee Lowry) died peacefully in her home surrounded by family members on Nov. 1, 2017 at age 93 in Moorestown, NJ. Wife of the late Walter Cope, beloved mother of John, Diana (deceased) Robert, and Elizabeth and their spouses Linda, Judy, and Tom respectively.

Adored grandmother of Joshua, Indira, Juliana, Michael, Tyler, Rachel, Rebecca, Dylan, and Hannah and great-grandmother of Zachary, Jacob, Whitney, Richard, Cornelia, Maeve, and Áine.

Marjorie, or Mother Marge as she has been known since her first grandchild came along, was born in London in 1924 to parents Alfred and Grace, dedicated members of the Religious Society of Friends. She was the youngest of four siblings, all with red hair. Her childhood was spent in England, France, and Belgium before the family settled back in the United States in 1931.

Marge graduated from Westtown School in 1942 and married her classmate, Walter, in 1945. Together they were a loving couple that created a beautiful family and touched countless lives in the community and the world. Their service work with the American Friends Service Committee took them to Zambia where Walt taught people to build homes, and Marge got involved with nutrition education. When they returned to Moorestown in 1971, two young grandchildren were waiting for them.

Marge will be remembered by her large family (and even larger extended family) as a compassionate matriarch. After Walter's sudden passing in 1992, she remained supportive and spirited. Her dry wit and warm personality could wipe the tears from a child's face and turn any stranger into a friend. She is an example of why it is important to be our true selves and embrace the simple pleasures in every day. She could entertain a small child through the monotonous parts of life because she never lost touch with her own inner child.

Memories of Mother Marge are everywhere... around the card table with her friends and relatives and around the dining table that almost filled the entire room at holidays... on the paved roads of Moorestown and on the pine-needle covered nature trails of Pocono Lake Preserve... completing a jigsaw puzzle and creating a scavenger hunt... reading a book and telling a bedtime story ... on the facing benches at Westfield Meeting and on the couch where she often fell asleep for an afternoon nap. Her presence will be missed by all who knew her.

A memorial service will be held at Westfield Friends Meeting, 2201 Riverton Road, Cinnaminson, NJ on Saturday November 18th at 3pm. The family has requested that memorial donations be made to the American Friends Service Committee or Westfield Friends School in lieu of flowers.

Cemetery Details

PRIVATE INTERMENT

Previous Events

Memorial Service

NOV 18. 3:00 PM (ET)

Westfield Freeinds Meeting
2201 Riverton Rd
Cinnaminson, NJ 08077

Tribute Wall



“ *Marjorie Lowry Cope*

October 09, 2023 at 03:30 AM



“ *Marjorie Lowry Cope*

November 08, 2022 at 08:26 PM



“ *To the children of Marge Cope:*

Your mother continues to inspire me. Of my memories of her, spanning my childhood to the present, a more recent one stands out. Driving down the farm lane for a surprise visit, I could see her in the distance wrestling a young Japanese maple into its new place near her front door, using all the strength and determination she could muster. Rather than resenting the interruption, she invited me into her home of simplicity and calm. The kitchen, being the exception, was an island of chaos. I was drawn to one of few pieces of art on the walls. It was a fragment of a larger watercolor that I had seen many years before of a young, red-haired woman in blue shorts, seated on the floor, gazing up at the painter, her brother. Gone now was the large room filled with books and furniture. Gone also was the young body. What remained was the intense, earnest gaze of a person of great spirit.

Lydia (Polly) Hunn

Lydia (Polly) Hunn - November 20, 2017 at 04:05 PM

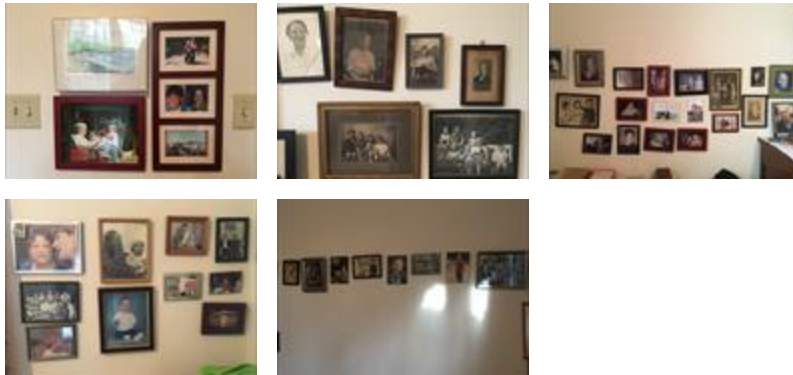
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“ I love the photos and the way they show the love and importance of family. I think it was at volleyball at Judy and Rob's where I first met your mom. Of course, that was back in the 80s, so our paths have crossed many times since. I will always remember her as a kind, direct and caring person who always made me feel comfortable and welcome. May tomorrow's celebration of her life, and the many memories you all have of her and your happy times together, help you through this difficult time. I will be sending hugs and prayers from Tennessee.

Dale McCreedy - November 18, 2017 at 01:10 AM

EL

“ 8 files added to the tribute wall



Elizabeth - November 11, 2017 at 10:08 AM

SB

“ Marge was my aunt, My Mom, Bliz's sister. I have always loved aunt Marge.. she was so funny and I loved to hear her joke. I will miss the 2 of them together also, they acted like typical sibling's, as they were only 18 months apart in age. One would say to the other, Move over, thee is sitting in my place! No u move over.!. The thing I will miss the most is them speaking to each other with Quaker pronouns, Thee and Thy , Thou.... that language I'm afraid, died with their generation. Marge was the last of the 4 siblings to die. I'm so sad for those of us here, but happy for Marge and Mom, Walter, and Gran and all that have gone before them, as I believe they are together and happy in spirit. Susie Brache

Susana Brache - November 06, 2017 at 11:27 AM