



## Irene DuBois

January 19, 1912 - August 13, 2015

Mrs. Irene E. (Kleiner) DuBois, 103, formerly of 13 Water Street, Adams, died August 13, 2015 in Reston, Virginia.

She was born in Adams on January 19, 1912, a daughter of the late Emil Alfred and Alma (Gross) Kleiner. She attended Adams schools and graduated from Bliss Business College.

She worked for many years as a paralegal for the late Attorney Gerald F. Gravel, Judge Henry W. Kaliss, and Judge Henry L. Harrington. She then had her own tax and accounting business until she turned 86. She was well known for her daily walks, especially by local canine friends knowing a treat was on the way. She treasured her view of Mt. Greylock out her kitchen window on Water Street. Though true to her daily oatmeal, chocolate was just as important, and kids never left her home without a mini candy bar. She enjoyed game shows, and her family fondly remembers games of Uno and joint-solitaire. She loved being a part of her grandchildren and great-grandchildren's lives, as she had lived with them and her children in recent years. In 2012 many family and friends gathered to celebrate her 100 years. Her husband, Joseph A. DuBois, whom she married on January 2, 1934, in Notre Dame des Sept Douleurs Church, Adams, died on April 4, 1981. She is survived by one daughter, Bev Sherman and her husband, Bruce, of Fairfax VA; and one son, Dr. Joseph DuBois and his wife, Joan, of McLean VA; five grandchildren, Kevin Sherman and his wife, Candee, of Warrenton VA; Jill Sherman Davis and her husband, Norman, of Oakton VA; Dr. Karen DuBois

Kelly and her husband, Patrick, of Manassas Park VA; James DuBois and his wife, Lori, of Montgomery AL; and Leslie Sherman and her husband, Dr. Leslie Looney, of Urbana IL; ten great-grandchildren, Derek and Nicole Sherman, Emily and Karoline Davis, Brendan and Ben Kelly, Ronan and Conall Looney, and Katherine and Alexandra DuBois; and several nieces, nephews, grandnieces, grandnephews, and great-grandnieces and great-grandnephews.

She was predeceased by one brother, Emil Alfred "Freddie" Kleiner; and three sisters, Elsie Koch, Edna Kittler, and Alma "Tootie" Golec.

**FUNERAL NOTICE:** A funeral mass was held for her at St. John Neumann Church in Reston VA on August 17.

A graveside committal service will take place on Saturday, September 5 at 1:00PM in Maple Street Cemetery in Adams MA, relatives and friends are invited.

In lieu of flowers the family suggests donations to: Service Dogs of Virginia, PO Box 408, Charlottesville, VA 22902, where a puppy in training has been named Irene in her honor; or Berkshire Humane Society, 214 Barker Road, Pittsfield, MA 01201.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Bev and family, So sorry for your loss. Your mother lived a happy long life. Nan Wisnowski*

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June 07, 2018 at 11:52 AM



“ *As my blood grandmothers have been gone for some time, I feel blessed that I was able to spend time with Kevin's grandmother. It was often that she didn't remember me but, she remembered who I was married to. As she stated, "he was always a good boy"! He will miss her very much, as will I.*

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**Candee Sherman** - June 07, 2018 at 11:52 AM



“ *We've been very blessed to have my mom in our lives. She was always kind and patient with everyone. It still is hard to believe she has passed. Bev*

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“ *We would like to extend our deepest condolences to the Dubois family. We remember her as a great neighbor n a lovely person.*

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**bill n Jacqueline cote** - June 07, 2018 at 11:52 AM

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“ I have many fond childhood memories of Mrs. DuBois. My neighborhood friends and I would pick the flowers from her yard and bring her bouquets. She was always very happy to see us. Of course she always had chocolate bars for us. She never cared that we picked her flowers, because she loved the company,

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**Dawn Canales (Krzanik)** - June 07, 2018 at 11:52 AM

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“ Bev: Sorry to hear of your Mom passing. Please know that you and your family are in our thoughts and prayers

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**Joan (Lefebvre) Michalenko** - June 07, 2018 at 11:52 AM



“ Joe, so sorry to hear of you mothers passing. Dick Stumpek

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“ I remember her walking the neighborhood and feeding the dogs. Our dog would be so excited when he saw her. She was always friendly and cheerful.

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**Cathy** - June 07, 2018 at 11:52 AM

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“ Joe, I was just informed of your Mom's passing this evening. My deepest condolences to you. I was having a discussion with Judy Sheehan about a gathering of the remaining members of the class of "59" that is coming up. I mentioned your name and she informed me of your Mom's passing. I hope this note finds you and Joan in good health and spirits old friend. With fond memories of your parents when we would gather at your house and hang out. Richard Mendel

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**Richard Mendel** - June 07, 2018 at 11:52 AM