



## Marie St. John

March 16, 1943 - March 16, 2010

A. Marie St. John, 67, of 100 East Mountain Road, Adams, passed to her home with Christ on Tuesday March 16, 2010, at Brigham and Women's Hospital, Boston, from complications arising from her 7 month battle with leukemia.

She was born in Athens, GA on April 15, 1942, daughter of Christine McKee Derrico, and attended schools in Chula Vista, CA and Meriden, CT, as well as North Adams State College where she graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in Sociology, Summa Cum Laude, in 1994.

Her children and grandchildren were the center of her life, though she also enjoyed gardening, dancing, knitting, counted cross stitch and the Red Sox. She always strove to lend a helping hand to those in need, most recently volunteering at the Berkshire Food Project, Congregational Church, North Adams, A.M.E.N. in Adams and as a coordinator for Samaritans Purse Operation Christmas Child at Stamford Community Church.

Mrs. St. John was last employed as a substitute teacher at the Plunkett School in Adams, and worked formerly as Department Administrative Assistant for the Computer Science department at Williams College, and as Administrative Assistant to the President of Excelsior Process and Engraving. She is survived by her husband Charles F. St. John, Jr. whom she married November 21, 1986.

She leaves three daughters, Jennifer Mendel Cabana and husband Jeffrey of Easthampton, MA, Kelly Mendel Paluck and husband Christopher of

Westfield, MA, Melissa Mendel Burke and husband Robert Burke of Portland, ME, and step-son Daniel St. John of Peabody, MA, along with seven grandchildren, Joshua, Zachary and Molly Cabana, Carly and Kevin Paluck, and Owen and Mary Burke, and former husband Anthony Mendel.

She was predeceased by her mother Christine Derrico in 2000.

MEMORIAL NOTICE: A memorial service will be held at Stamford (VT) Community Church, Main Road, Stamford, on Saturday, March 20, at 1:00PM, followed by a reception in the church hall. Friends and family may attend. Memorial donations may be made to the Berkshire Food Project, Operation Christmas Child or Louison House through the PACIOREK FUNERAL HOME, 13 Hoosac Street, Adams, MA, which is in charge of arrangements.