



## Mildred Droste

February 2, 1923 - August 4, 2008

MILDRED "MILLIE" ANNE DROSTE, age 85 of Locust Grove, Virginia died peacefully in her sleep Monday, August 4, 2008 at Manassas Nursing and Rehabilitation Center.

Born in Ronceverte, West Virginia on Groundhog's Day, February 2, 1923, Millie was the eldest daughter of Fred and Pearl Droste. Millie taught physical education at Virginia Intermont College, Mary Baldwin College, and Mary Washington College; the later at which she stayed for 31 years retiring with the rank of Professor Emeritus. Along her career path, she took on new challenges as Assistant Dean of Students at Mary Washington in 1967. The following year, she was appointed Dean of Students and held that position until 1975.

Millie will be remembered as a passionate golfer and holder of numerous club championships. She was a dedicated Emergency Medical Technician who volunteered many hours on two Rescue Squads. In addition, Millie participated in various activities and service boards at Lake of the Woods where she resided. She will be greatly missed by family and friends as she smiles down from the fairways in heaven.

She is survived by her sister and dearest friend, Martha Gillum and husband, Marvin of Manassas, Virginia; three loving nieces / "daughters", Cindy Coiner and husband Bill of Midlothian, Virginia; Debby Milligan and husband Dick,

and Melanie Przybocki and husband Dave all of Manassas, Virginia. Their children were like grandchildren to Millie; Caroline and Meredith Milligan, Cara and Cory Clayton, Rob Dufour, and Mollie Przybocki. Millie is also survived by her youngest sister, Sally Brown and husband Jim of Williamsburg, West Virginia and their children Carolyn Stephens and husband Pete, Patty Sterner, and Julia Silber and husband Doug.

A celebration of Millie's life will take place on Saturday, August 23 at 1:00 P.M. at the Lake of the Woods Church in Locust Grove, Virginia. A private family inurnment will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Lake of the Woods Volunteer Fire and Rescue Company, 104 Lakeview Parkway, Locust Grove, Virginia 22508 in memory of Millie Droste.

Condolences may be sent to [www.piercefh.com](http://www.piercefh.com).

# Tribute Wall

CM

“ I ALWAYS PLAYED A BETTER GAME OF GOLF WHEN RIDING WITH MILLIE. SHE GAVE ME MANY GOOD POINTS TO HELP IMPROVE MY GAME.

LOVED HER DRY HUMOR!!!

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**Carol McMullin** - March 29, 2013 at 02:03 PM

AB

“ Millie was a wonderful person and friend. She will always have a special place in my heart.

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**Andi Bureman** - March 29, 2013 at 02:03 PM

SN

“ Millie was a good friend and we be missed.

My sincerest condolences.

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**Sherry Newman** - March 29, 2013 at 02:03 PM

MM

“ I and five of my sisters attended MWC, and Ms. Droste was such a wonderful educator and a constant support to us. As day students, our lounge was in her office building, and she made it a point to visit the lounge and get to know all the students.

My sisters and I were so happy that she was such a talented athlete, because we were able to take a variety of PE courses under her excellent tutelage.

We all loved her and she will be missed.

Sincerely, Margaret B. Hein

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**Margaret Barrett Hein, MWC'63** - March 29, 2013 at 02:03 PM

ES

“ *She was one in a million and will be greatly missed.*

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**Eric A. Sutphin** - March 29, 2013 at 02:03 PM

SM

“ *Millie was such a help to all of the new golfers. She would give up free time to take us out and try and teach us a thing or two.*

*I will miss her great sense of humor also. She was always a lot of fun.*

*I always enjoyed bowling with her too.*

*She had a great joy of life. She will be missed by all of us.*

*Sheran Marks*

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**Sheran Marks** - March 29, 2013 at 02:03 PM

BS

“ *Millie was a neighbor of my Mother's and was always there when my Mother needed any help. I will always be grateful to her for being so kind to my Mother. I am so sorry for your loss.*

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**Bobbie Sides** - March 29, 2013 at 02:03 PM

JF

“ *Millie will be missed by all of us. We were so blessed to have the opportunity to know her. She taught our son at Mary Wash. and she never failed to inquire as to his well being when she saw us.*

*Our sympathy and love*

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**Judy & Jeff Flynn** - March 29, 2013 at 02:03 PM

GD

“ *What a great lady we have lost. I knew her from high school basketball when she officiated at our JV and Varsity games. I always felt a sense of relief, because she was the best at calling a game. When I attended and graduated from MWC in 1968, she was one of my favorite professors there.*

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**Grace Barrett Dahmke** - March 29, 2013 at 02:03 PM

NS

“ *We knew Millie through Bowling and Golf. She will be missed by all. Our best to you and your family.*

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**Nancy & Harry Sandford** - March 29, 2013 at 02:03 PM