

Alice R. Chesbro

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GREENVILLE, Maine — Alice R. Chesbro of Greenville died Sunday, Feb. 15, 2009.

She was born March 27, 1909, in Winchester, Mass., the fifth child of Henry E. Lingham and Gertrude (Edmands) Lingham of Roxbury, Mass.

Alice is survived by a daughter, Almira J.(Robinson) Parady and husband Bill; a son, John Alfred Robinson and wife Martha; seven grandchildren, Louis, Kelly Jane, Bradford, Chester, Anne Elizabeth, John A. Jr. and Danny; seven great-grandchildren, Angela, Ashley, Tasha, Sam, Emma, Kerri and Garrett; and one great-great-grandson, Logan.

Other special people in her life were Lorie, Joe, Basil, Antonio, Tom and Sofia; and many nieces and nephews; and special friend, Wendy Mazer.

Alice was predeceased by her parents; her stepmother, Martha H. Lingham; two brothers, Edmands and Clarence; and two sisters, Gertrude and Ruth Lingham.

A memorial service will be held in Orleans, Mass., at the convenience of the family. Arrangements are by Crosby & Neal Funeral Homes, Guilford, Maine. For an online guest register, visit www.CrosbyNeal.com.

WE REMEMBER: Alice lived a long life with many adventures, travels and memories. Some were dimmed by age, but nevertheless, they were what made her the determined and private person that she was.

Alice's mother, Gertrude, died in 1913, and in 1920, Alice moved with her father and stepmother, Martha Hatch Lingham, from Winchester to Watertown, Mass.

She graduated from Watertown High School in 1928. After graduation, she worked in her stepmother's bread business, attended Massachusetts General Hospital School of Nursing, and attended an art school in Boston until sickness prevented her from finishing.

She worked as a dental assistant in Newton, Mass., for one year. In 1937, she married Forrest D. Robinson and moved to Chatham, Mass., where they raised their two children. In 1949 she, Forrest and the children moved to Orleans, Mass. Forrest died in 1967.

In 1976 she married Albert L. Chesbro and together they built a home in East Harwich, where she remained after his death in 1989. In 1992 Alice moved to Kittery to be near her daughter and family, and lived there for 12 years.

At the age of 94, Alice needed assisted living and eventually required nursing care. She came to Greenville in 2005 as her daughter had moved to Rockwood and remained at C.A. Dean Nursing Home until her death at age 99.

Alice loved and enjoyed her family, as well as oil painting, playing the piano, beach combing on Cape Cod, collecting old bottles and buoys she found and she loved to play Scrabble. Reading was another favorite pastime. Fond memories for her were a cross-country trip in a converted Volks Wagon bus with Forrest in 1965, and renovating their 200-year-old home in Orleans.

In 2006, Alice shared an award of the Boston Post Cane with another Greenville resident.

The family wishes to acknowledge the loving care of the staff at C.A. Dean Memorial Hospital & Nursing Home during Alice's final years.