



Elizabeth R. Lawlor

June 5, 1935 - December 5, 2022

Elizabeth Lawlor died on December 4, 2022, at CandleLight Cove Memory Center in Easton. She was 87 years old.

Elizabeth was born on June 5, 1935, in New York. Her father was John J. Phelan and her mother was Edna Kelly.

She is survived by her husband, Dr. Francis X. Lawlor. Liz and Frank met when both of them were doctoral students at Columbia University in New York City. This was in the very lively nineteen sixties. They were married in 1968. Liz is also survived by their daughter, Sarah Montaine and her husband Mark, and by two granddaughters, Kelly Lawlor Jermon and Morgan Vossler.

Liz was predeceased by her parents, as well as by her sister, Susan Silbaugh and husband, Stuart, and her brother John J. Phelan and his wife, Joyce. She is survived by loving nephews, John Phelan Jr. and his wife, Laurie, and their children; Peter Phelan and his wife and their children; and David Phelan and his wife, Cynthia, and their children. Her nephews, Michael and Robert Silbaugh, and their wives and children also survive their beloved Aunt Elizabeth, along with cousins and many friends all of whom will greatly miss her.

In addition to leaving behind a lasting love of nature to generations of students at Hunter College in New York City, she authored a series of six nature books which have spread the knowledge of plants, trees, weeds, birds, insects, mammals, and all other living things in their habitats along the shore in the forests and in our backyards, spreading her deep knowledge and wisdom in “Things to Know And Things to Do.” Liz lives on in the hearts and minds of students, readers, family, and friends.

There will be Mass and memorial in January on Long Island when her remains are buried in the family plot.

May she rest in peace.

Tribute Wall



“ *Elizabeth R. Lawlor*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Elizabeth R. Lawlor*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Elizabeth R. Lawlor*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *Oh Frank ~ our hearts are with you during this challenging time. We love Liz and trust you will hold so many precious memories in comfort. She lived a magnificent life with you. May she rest in peace and may you be surrounded by love.*

Catherine & Scott - December 13, 2022 at 09:42 PM



“ *Mary Baker lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth R. Lawlor*



Mary Baker - December 11, 2022 at 09:31 PM