



## Helen %28Connecticut%29 Pilert

July 22, 2004

Former longtime Lucas Point resident, Helen Pilert, nee Lederer, died at Heron Point in Chestertown, MD at the age of 84 on July 22, 2004 after a long illness. She was born May 1, 1920 in Baltimore, MD. Helen Lederer graduated from Connecticut College for Women, where she earned a BA in English Literature in 1942. She quoted the President of Connecticut College, “when you educate a woman, you educate a family.”

In 1943 she married 2nd Lt. Marshall Lee Pilert, her childhood sweetheart. They were married for 57 years before Mr. Pilert’s sudden death in 2000. During WWII while her husband was a POW at Stalag Luft III in Germany she worked for the Pennsylvania Railroad in Baltimore arranging troop transports.

They moved to Old Greenwich, CT in 1952, where she raised her 3 children. She spent summer days at Greenwich Point Beach and Rocky Point Club, cheering on her children’s activities while needlepointing. She was an avid tennis player, gardener, and bridge player. She and her family enjoyed raising Golden Retrievers. When they had their first litter she invited all of the neighbors and their children on Lucas Point to come watch the puppies being born in the garage. She and her husband Lee enjoyed traveling and had been to Egypt, East Africa, China, Japan, The Galapagos, and had traveled extensively through Europe. They were sailors, members of Riverside Yacht Club and had enjoyed sailing in the British Virgin Islands and the Grenadines

with their children.

Extensive volunteer work included the American Red Cross Blood Bank, where she would make and serve twelve dozen deviled eggs, The American Red Cross support to military families, Escort Services at Greenwich Hospital for over 30 years, and the Altar Guild at St. Savior's Church in Old Greenwich, CT. She was a member of the Garden Club of Old Greenwich and the American Association of University Women.

In 2001 she returned to Maryland and made her home in Chestertown. At the time of her death, she was a communicant at St. Paul, Kent, Episcopal Church in Rock Hall, Maryland.

Her children, Anne Pilert Engelskirchen and husband Tod of St. Michaels, Michael B. Pilert of Zephyrhills, Florida, Barbara L. Pilert of Baltimore, and a niece and nephew, Peggy Lederer and Henry Andrew Lederer IV, survive her.

Services will be held on Wednesday, July 28, 2004 at 4:00 PM at St. Savior's Church, 305 Sound Beach Avenue, Old Greenwich, CT. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Save The Children, Westport, CT, or the American Red Cross.

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