



Heller Halliday

November 4, 1941 - April 21, 2024

Mary Heller Halliday, age 82, of Chestertown, Maryland, peacefully passed away on Sunday April 21, 2024 at home with her husband, Martin, and loved ones by her side. She was born in Los Angeles, California on Tuesday, November 4th, 1941, to the late theatrical producer, Richard Halliday and the Broadway actress and singer, Mary Martin. Heller was an alumna of the George School in Pennsylvania and a graduate of Colby Junior College in New Hampshire. A talented dancer and actress, Heller appeared and performed in notable productions such as Peter Pan, and The Skin of Our Teeth. She starred as Liza in the original Broadway cast of Peter Pan and in the original 1955 NBC Color Television Production of the show. Heller also modelled at Elizabeth Arden in New York City.

Whether it was the arts, hummingbirds, colorful flowers, or stars in the night sky, Heller had an inherent relationship with all things of natural beauty on earth. She loved to smile and sing, dream, dance, blow kisses to her mother, Mary and brother, Larry Hagman in heaven, and reenact the “Crow” call in Peter Pan.

Throughout her adventurous journey, Heller made many acquaintances and built relationships with numerous people from all walks of life. She understood that each of us sees the world through a different lens and enjoyed a variety of personalities. Heller looked past the differences of and in people, which many of us cannot. She loved to dream and always envisioned a beautiful

world. Heller loved all animals especially her Happy Talk, Lincoln, Latte, Nellie and Scooter.

In addition to her parents, Heller is preceded in death by her brother and fellow actor, Larry Hagman.

Heller is survived by many beautiful needlework projects she passed on to those she loved. Additionally, she is survived by her husband Martin Carrigan, children Timothy Weir (Lucrecia), Mathew Weir, Mary Devon DeMerritt, Geoffery DeMeritt (Jenny), eight grandchildren, nephew Preston Hagman (Audrey). Special friends, Tim and Lindsey Buckless, Betta Fraccaroli, Biffy Wiltbank, Dr. Gerard O'Connor and Cathy.

A special thanks to all the medical professionals that helped care for Heller.

A visitation will be held at FHN Wednesday, May 1st 5-7pm. Funeral services will be the following day, May 2nd at 11:00am with a reception to follow. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to Compass Regional Hospice at 160 Coursevall Dr. Centreville, MD 21617 or The Animal Care Shelter of Kent County at 10168 Worton Rd. Chestertown, MD 21620.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 1. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Fellows, Helfenbein, and Newnam Funeral Home
130 Speer Road
Chestertown, MD 21620
<http://www.fhnfuneralhome.com>

Service

MAY 2. 11:00 AM (ET)

Fellows, Helfenbein, and Newnam Funeral Home
130 Speer Road
Chestertown, MD 21620
<http://www.fhnfuneralhome.com>

Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Heller Halliday*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - May 02, 2024 at 08:07 AM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Heller Halliday.*



May 01, 2024 at 10:57 AM



“ *She had a wonderful, free spirit and was always a lot of fun to be around!*

Lynn McLain - April 30, 2024 at 09:01 PM



“ *Thoughts and prayers*

Michael Cosby - April 28, 2024 at 07:52 PM

BC

“ I met Ms Halliday by chance one day years ago in a doctor's office. She was so down to earth and friendly and left a lasting impression on me. My sympathies & prayers to her loved ones. I am sure she will be missed immensely.



Billie Carroll - April 25, 2024 at 08:00 PM

CP

My husband and I had the honor and pleasure to dine at her table the first time the Mary Martin Drama Scholarship was presented at Washington College. I vividly remember her lively graciousness and ability to make everyone at the table feel as if they had known one another for years. Hummingbirds are believed to be our departed loved ones dropping by for a visit. I wish you all many hummingbird sightings.
Claire Pula, Class of '78

Claire Pula - May 22, 2024 at 02:25 PM

SC

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Stephen Cole - April 24, 2024 at 11:38 PM

DI

“ Donna Ingram lit a candle in memory of Heller Halliday



Donna Ingram - April 24, 2024 at 02:43 PM

BW

“ *Until We Meet Again Heller ! You will truly be missed... Your everlasting smile is forever etched in our hearts and we only hope we can Love everyone like you did. I'm sure our Lord is happy to see you and we know you'll make Him laugh each and every day ! We are truly blessed for our friendship and send our soothing Prayers to all your friends and families!
We love you and Martin !
Brian and Donna*

Brian and Donna Whitehead - April 24, 2024 at 11:16 AM

TS

“ *Todd And Diane Smith lit a candle in memory of Heller Halliday*



Todd and Diane Smith - April 24, 2024 at 09:24 AM

SM

“ *Stacey Morris lit a candle in memory of Heller Halliday*



Stacey Morris - April 23, 2024 at 10:11 PM

SF

“ Shirley Foster lit a candle in memory of Heller Halliday



Shirley foster - April 23, 2024 at 09:41 PM

PW

“ Patti Webb sent a virtual gift in memory of Heller Halliday



Patti Webb - April 23, 2024 at 09:11 PM

BF

“ Dearest Heller, you will be missed. XOXO



Betta and Jim Fraccaroli - April 23, 2024 at 04:37 PM

TM

“ The Mumfords lit a candle in memory of Heller Halliday



The Mumfords - April 23, 2024 at 10:46 AM

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We love you and Martin !

Brian and Donna

Brian and Donna Whitehead - April 24, 2024 at 10:54 AM

TH

Fly high Peter Pan, fly high.

Tom Harrington - April 24, 2024 at 11:56 AM

MA

I'm so sad to hear about Heller. She was a wonderful friend and I have not seen her in years. Her mother Mary Martin and my mother Bessie May, Sue Ella Yeager Austin were best friends in Texas. Mary Martin was my godmother. My mother was godmother to Larry Hagman. We had many wonderful times together. Oh the fun of going to New York and staying with Heller. And I went to her wedding to Bromley. When she was in Dallas, we always got together. I am blessed to have a needlepoint glasses case she gave me. I loved her and I miss her loving personality RIP dear beautiful Heller

Melinda Austin

melinda austin - April 25, 2024 at 02:05 PM



Heller you were amazing in everyway. You made us laugh and smile and we will miss our Pinkey. If only we were neighbors longer than 2 years what would I be saying about you. You always made me wish I would have loved you longer. I will forever miss your smiles and emailed photos Martin would send to me. Your Mom and Dad and Larry are surely glad to see you and catch up. Until we see you again. Love Kevin, Terry and the McIntyre Family

Terry McIntyre - May 01, 2024 at 10:52 AM

BE

Dearest Heller! You have your WINGS at last just like your Mom in Peter Pan. Your dear Mom gave me my first baby pillow and bib when I was born, 69 years ago that's how far we go back. As everyone has mentioned, you will never be forgotten for your vibrant enthusiasm for life, for people, for your garden, your needle point, your dog and hummingbirds and your infectious laugh and beautiful smile. Every time a hummingbird comes to feed I think of you and your Mom. It makes me smile. Thank you for being a special part of our family. I will miss you. Thank you Martin for all your loving care of Heller. Sending all my Love and Sympathy to you and the family.

GOD BLESS YOU HELLER! I hope Neverland is treating you well! I Love you! Bee Kilgore

Bee - May 08, 2024 at 10:24 PM