



Ruth Louise Koch

May 23, 2001

Ruth Louise Koch, 93, a retired Investment Banking Executive, died Wednesday, May 23, at her Chestertown, Maryland, home.

Ms. Koch moved to Chestertown in 1991 after living many years in Merion, Pennsylvania, and in the Overbrook section of Philadelphia. She was born on March 9, 1908, in Atlantic City, New Jersey.

Ms. Koch began a long and prominent tenure in the securities industry in 1927 at Boardwalk National Bank in Atlantic City, but the majority of her career was spent at First Boston Corporation where she served for twelve years as a vice president on the Municipal Bond Desk. She had started with First Boston in 1943 and advanced quickly with great success in an era when women's careers were far less distinguished than most men's. Her notable career that lead eventually to her retirement in 1978 proved to be, by her own admission, Ms. Koch's greatest personal accomplishment. Ms. Koch was an active and board holding member of the Investment Women's Club of Philadelphia.

In retirement, Ms. Koch enjoyed travelling extensively throughout Europe and Asia. She also enjoyed gardening, needlework and reading. Before moving to Chestertown, Ms. Koch was an active member of the Overbrook Presbyterian Church.

Ms. Koch is survived by a niece, Susan Koch Langbein; two nephews, William Comly Koch and John Christopher Koch, Jr; and their children.

Services were private.

Arrangements were made by Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home, P.A.
Chestertown, Maryland

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