

Elizabeth Underhill Robbins



WELLFLEET AND PROVINCETOWN — Elizabeth Robbins died Nov. 21, 2009. She was the widow of Elisha Robbins, who died in 1985. Her beloved sister, Martha Underhill, died in 2008.

Born in Boston, she moved to Wellfleet in 1933 and graduated from Wellfleet High School in 1938.

She graduated from Newton-Wellesley Hospital in 1942 and worked in Boston, Marlboro and Needham Hospitals before moving to Falmouth in 1959 with her husband and children, where she worked for 21 years as a head nurse and supervisor at the Barnstable County Hospital.

After her retirement to Wellfleet in 1982, she worked part time in an art gallery and also for the Visiting Nurses Association.

She traveled extensively and was very active in the Democratic Party. She was a member of the First Congregational Church in Wellfleet, the Wellfleet Historical Society, the Eastham Hiking Club, the Blakeslee Memorial Friday Club, and the Wellfleet Breakfast Club. Her many contributions to the Wellfleet community were recognized with the "Salt of the Earth" award in 2006. In 2008, she moved to Seashore Point in Provincetown.

She is survived by a daughter, Nancy Rea and her husband of Haverhill and Wellfleet; a son, David Robbins and his wife of Cataumet; three grandchildren; four great-grandsons; and a multitude of friends.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 12, at the First Congregational Church in Wellfleet.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Mustard Seed Kitchen, P.O. Box 833, Wellfleet, MA 02667.

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