



Lorabeth Moore Fitzgerald

August 18, 1926 - July 31, 2009

FITZGERALD , LORABETH MOORE

Grand Ledge and Mackinac Island Lorabeth died July 31, 2009 at her summer home on Mackinac Island at the age of 82. She grew up in Hillsdale, Michigan and graduated from The College of William and Mary in Virginia. She married John Warner Fitzgerald in 1953 and he predeceased her. Her eldest son, Frank Moore Fitzgerald, also predeceased her. Lorabeth is survived by two sons, Eric Stiles Fitzgerald and Adam Warner Fitzgerald both of Denver, CO. A daughter-in-law, Ruth Davie Fitzgerald of Grand Ledge survives, as well as grandchildren, Ellen Lora and John Wesley, children of Frank and Ruth. Lorabeth leaves a beloved niece and her husband, Emily and Paul Fullerton and their sons, Joseph and Samuel, of St. Ignace. Lorabeth was active in civic affairs. She served on the boards of the Mid-Michigan Chapter of the American Red Cross, the Greater Lansing Safety Council and the Eaton County Parks and Recreation Commission. She was elected to the board of trustees of the Grand Ledge Public Library. She founded the Grand Ledge Cooperative Nursery, and was founding president of the Grand Ledge Area Historical Society. She has been a long serving member of the Grand Ledge Opera House Authority and a member of the Grand Ledge Garden Club. Lorabeth was on the board of the Loan and Deposit State Bank which became Michigan national Bank in Grand Ledge. Lorabeth was active in affairs on Mackinac Island where the family has owned a summer cottage since 1961.

She was affiliated with Little Stone Church on Mackinac Island and First Congregational, United Church of Christ in Grand Ledge. A Memorial Services will be held at the Grand Ledge Opera House at 11:00am, Wednesday August 5, 2009 with a reception immediately following. Those wishing may contribute to the Grand Ledge Opera House Special Project Fund 121 S. Bridge St. Grand Ledge. Arrangements by Holihan-Atkin Funeral Home Grand Ledge.

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“ Lorabeth Moore Fitzgerald was one of the most gracious people I have known. She also was among the brightest and most witty. I was a law clerk for John W. Fitzgerald when he served on the Michigan Supreme Court. The Fitzgeralds hosted wonderful holiday gatherings at their home in Grand Ledge, and I was honored to visit them at their Mackinaw Island residence. I also worked frequently with Lorabeth when she was editor of Briefs, the newspaper for Ingham County lawyers. We remained in touch through the mail and telephone. I send my most sincere condolences to the family. I knew Frank and Ruth best, but I always felt as if I knew Eric and Adam, too, because of the many stories their parents told. Those stories later included their two grandchildren, of course.##imported-begin##Linda Mohny Rhodus##imported-end##

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“ Eric, Please accept my condolences on the loss of your mother. My thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. Sincerely, Cheryl Shults##imported-begin##Cheryl Shults##imported-end##

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