

Lynda Elliott (Conway) Bumpus

June 18, 2015

LYNDA ELLIOTT BUMPUS (formerly Conway), 75, passed away peacefully on Thursday, June 18, 2015 at her home in Moreland Courts. She was born to Irene and Gene Elliott in Huntington, West Virginia on November 11, 1939. Lynda graduated magna cum laude from Mount Holyoke College in 1961 and was awarded a Rotary Foundation Fellowship for graduate studies at the Institut d'Etudes Politiques at the University of Strasbourg (France). After moving to Cleveland, she worked for the Western Reserve Historical Society, the Coronary Club, Inc., and University Circle Inc., where she was Vice President, Communications. She was a member of the Intown Club and, in earlier years, was an active member of the Junior League. An avid world traveler and collector of rare books, she most recently donated her time to the Case Western Reserve Annual Book Sale. Lynda was preceded in death by her husband, F. Merlin Bumpus. She is survived by her daughters, Ashley Pryor of Toledo, OH and E. Summerson Carr of Chicago, IL; stepsons Peter Bumpus of Sarasota, FL and Roger Bumpus of Genoa, Italy; brother Eugene Elliott Jr. of Roanoke, VA; and five grandchildren... laid to rest in the Elliott family section of the Spring Hill cemetery in Huntington, WV... Donations may be made to FRIENDS of Heights Libraries (2345 Lee Road, Cleveland Heights, OH 44118, 216-932-3600 ext. 1234) or to Mount Holyoke College Library Fund (50 College Street, South Hadley, MA 01075, 413-538-2032).

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Babbie Baldwin Miller sent this tribute:

Lynda Elliott (Conway) Bumpus died on June 18, 2015 in Cleveland, OH. She came to MHC in 1957 from Huntington, West Virginia. She was my roommate our first year, in Woodbridge, a co-op dorm. There were only four freshmen in our small dorm so we got to know each other very well. Lynda was a lovely roommate with a soft W.VA accent who hung large posters of bull fighters all around our very small room! She majored in Poli Sci, graduated magna cum laude from MHC and was awarded a Rotary Foundation Fellowship for grad. studies at the U. of Strasbourg in France. After moving to Cleveland, she worked for the Western Reserve Historical Society, the Coronary Club and University Circle Inc. where she was VP, Communications. Lynda was an avid world traveler and collector of rare books. She is survived by 2 daughters, 2 stepsons, a brother and 5 grandchildren. Donations may be made to MHC Library Fund.