

Mette Adele Lian Eglinton

January 31, 2022

Mette Adele Eglinton, 82, of Kennebunkport, ME, passed away in her sleep at home on January 31, 2022, after a brief time of declining health due to pulmonary fibrosis.

Mette was born on February 28, 1939, in Oslo, Norway. At the age of 12, she emigrated with her family to Brooklyn, NY, where she taught herself English and excelled in school. She later earned a bachelor's degree from Mount Holyoke College.

Mette met David Eglinton in Boston and they wed in 1962. She was proud to raise her three children, Peter, Karen, and Kenneth, in homes from Michigan to the Northeast. Mette was active in her communities and worked as a real estate broker in Amherst, NH. She shared with her family her love of winter and cross-country skiing as well as sailing.

After years of visiting Kennebunkport, Mette and David chose to retire there and purchased an antique home that they lovingly renovated. She enjoyed spending time by the ocean with David and a beloved dog by her side.

Mette and David enjoyed traveling the world, including many parts of Europe, China, Alaska, and Canada, as well as a trip to Costa Rica with family to celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary. She was proud of her Norwegian heritage and passed on many special traditions with family and friends, particularly at Christmastime with her native decorations and authentic pastries.

When not traveling, she enjoyed pursuing her many artistic talents in the community. Mette was an accomplished rug hooker, sewer, knitter, and basket maker. An avid reader, she volunteered her time at the Graves Memorial Library in Kennebunkport. With her warm smile and friendly personality she was known to make friends and connections with whomever she encountered, wherever she went.

Mette was predeceased by her mother Adele "Lillemor" Bugge, her father Jon Bjornsson, and step-father Caspar Lian.

Mette, a beloved wife, mother, and Nana, is survived by: her husband of nearly 60 years, David; her three children, Peter Eglinton (and wife Stephanie) of Portland, ME, Karen King (and husband David) of Olney, MD, Kenneth Eglinton (and wife Wendy) of Weston, MA; four grandchildren (Clark, Emma, Hannah, and Julie); brother Martin Lian of Beverly, MA; sisters Anne Lian of Scarsdale, NY and Nina Lian of Houston, TX.

A memorial service will be held in the spring at Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Kennebunk.

Contributions may be made in Mette's memory to Animal Welfare Society of Kennebunk (<https://animalwelfaresociety.org/give/>) or Hospice of Southern Maine (<https://www.hospiceofsouthernmaine.org/>).

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Birth Name: Mette A Lian

Deceased Date: 01/31/22

Reunion Class(es): 1961

Last Address of Deceased: (Preferred Address)

PO Box 1537

Kennebunkport, ME 04046-1537

Address Chapters:

1520-WESTERN MAINE CLUB

Relations...:

Eglinton, Kenneth - Son

- Source: RLA

Eglinton, Peter - Son

- Source: RLA

King, Karen E.(Eglinton); Reunion Class: (1987) - Daughter

- Source: ALM

Eglinton, David G. - Widower

- Source: RLA

Employment

Employer

Start Date End Date Position

Norwood Realty Inc

04/01/86

12/31/86

Realtor

Houck & Hall Inc

Realtor

Volunteer

Organization	Start Date	End Date	Role
Class of 1961	07/01/92	06/30/93	Class Agent
Class of 1961	07/01/90	06/30/91	Reunion Dinner Chair
Class of 1961	07/01/85	06/30/86	Reunion Welcome/Hospital

Education

Institution	Degree	Date Rcvd
Mount Holyoke College	AB	06/01/61