



Margaret "Peggy" Williams Doole

December 17, 1934 - November 20, 2021

The service has been postponed. It will be rescheduled at a later date.

Margaret (Peggy) Williams Doole was born on December 17th, 1934 in Alliance, Nebraska to Donald E. Williams and Margaret R. Williams. Peg was a lifelong learner as valedictorian of her high school class and as an alumna from Wellesley College, University of Colorado, Stanford University and Rutgers University. She held master's degrees in English and Art History with her greatest educational love being Art History. She was an extremely dedicated and thoughtful note writer to her family and friends and an avid reader throughout her life. Peg took copious notes on everything she read from travel to art to history to healthy habits. Married to Air Force pilot and Colonel, Bill Doole, for 60 years, Peg was a middle and high school teacher in Nebraska, Montana and California and later taught students through her docent tours in Oklahoma and at the National Gallery of Art. She also organized and taught art history courses with her German American Women's group in Ramstein, Germany, and later registered active duty military for college as a local college registrar. Peg loved to travel and led the family on numerous adventures, especially throughout Europe during three years overseas.

Peg was always a leader in any community she entered with great adaptive skills applied to the lifestyle of military culture. She always said, "At a party, look for the person standing alone and go talk to him or her. They need a friend." Peg made sure friends, family and acquaintances felt heard. She was a wonderful listener and thought about others, particularly her family before herself. She is survived by her husband, Bill, children, Bruce and wife Susy, Mary and husband Sid, grandchildren, Jordan, Sidney and Meg, Peg's sister, Edwynna and husband Phil, nephews, Tim and Ben. She often said, "I have had a wonderful life and couldn't ask for anything more." Peg made the most of every place she lived, leading tours, organizing neighborhood PEO and AAUW events, or advancing her education. She will be dearly missed in this world by her family and her friends, as she touched the hearts of so many people with love and grace.

The memorial service will be held at 11:00 a.m., Thursday, December 23, 2021 at

Memorial Park Funeral Home. The Reverend Susan Carter Wiggins with Germantown Presbyterian Church will officiate. The family will receive guests 30 minutes prior to the service.

In lieu of flowers, The family request memorial donations be made to the Doole Family Charitable Foundation. The Foundation (DFCF) was established by Bill and Peg Doole to ensure that the Louise Evans Doole Herb Garden in the Nature Center at Pioneers Park in Lincoln, Nebraska would be supported into future generations. Each year the members of the Doole family (until Peg's death five Dooles and four Selvidges) meet. In addition to the garden, they determine grants that can be made to worthy charities in their cities or throughout the USA. The foundation's holdings are not large, but the family believes they have made significant grants to several charities. If you wish, write a check to "Charles Schwab" and enter "FBO Doole Foundation" in the memo line. Mail it to Bruce Doole, DFCF Manager, 5582 Cambria Ct, San Diego, CA 92120-4506.

In selecting 2022 grants the Foundation will consider how each supports Peg's interests and involvement in art and other endeavors. When given, the grants will specify "In memory of Margaret (Peggy) Doole."

Click the link below to view Mrs. Doole's memorial tribute view.

<https://www.tributeslides.com/tributes/show/H3DKYCHRXR6P5DRC>

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Comments



“ I always appreciated that Peggy extended her friendship with my mother Helen to me. She and Bill “adopted” me when I moved to the Washington DC area and she always made sure to check in on me every once in a while to make sure all was well. After the passing of my own mother, this was a very important link for me and her kindness filled my heart whenever I spoke with her. I wish all the best to the family and know that she will be missed. But her love will live on forever not only on the hearts of her family but also in those who were blessed with knowing her.

Amy Christianson and Jorge Navarro - December 18, 2021 at 01:56 AM



“ The sweet picture of young Peggy shows a curious, pleasant, bright, eager young woman, unaware of all the places she would go and services she would perform but fully ready for all of them. That spirit continued until the years when we knew her, helping Bill constantly, trying to organize groups for trips to art sites, and sharing her faith. We will think about all of you on Thursday, as we are today (the 17th), Peggy's birthday.

Ellie and Erland Heginbotham

Eleanor Elson Heginbotham - December 17, 2021 at 06:32 PM



“ Marie Bologna, Bea Willison & Family purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Margaret "Peggy" Williams Doole.



Marie Bologna, Bea Willison & Family - December 09, 2021 at 12:59 PM



“ With love, Susan and Warren Cook purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Margaret "Peggy" Williams Doole.



With love, Susan and Warren Cook - December 01, 2021 at 10:53 AM



“ Sincerest condolences to Bill and family. My treasured memories are of Peggy donating hours of time on the AAUW book sale. She contributed her knowledge to the category of Art and Art History. In the later years Bill would be at her side helping to box up the books that Peggy selected. She was always there for the book sale days and was a faithful attendee at branch meetings, a friend to all. She will be missed.

Betsy Schroeder
McLean AAUW

Betsy Schroeder - November 24, 2021 at 09:00 PM



“ It was with great sadness that I received the news of Peggy's passing. She was the sweetest, most gentle person I have ever known. I was privileged to have known her and called her my friend. Our neighborhood is not the same without her presence. Peggy had a way of bringing people together in warm friendship. Her intrepid spirit lives on in her beautiful daughter, son and grandchildren. Peggy's light shines bright through her beloved family and friends.

May her soul rest in peace!
- Chitra Mohla

Chitra Mohla - November 22, 2021 at 01:48 PM



“ When I moved into the Wolf Den community in 2003, Peg was the head of its book club. Several years after joining, I took over the leadership and Peg assumed the "emeritus" role. She truly enjoyed our bimonthly get-togethers and contributed with thoughtful comments and analysis, reflecting her pedagogical roots. I was very touched by Peg's regular thank-you notes to me for managing the club - a simple example of her kindness and grace. She was a lady of integrity and deep values who loved her family and community and will be deeply missed.

Kathy Stewart - November 22, 2021 at 09:40 AM



“ Peggy loved to play bridge and was very competitive. She and I played bridge in Alliance at the very competitive duplicate group and win 1/3 of a master point. It was such a fond memory for many years.

Peggy also loved road trips. I have memories of driving across Nebraska with her. We loved the Sand Hills of Nebraska. She was an amazing sister. So proud of her family.

Edi Pierce - November 21, 2021 at 10:49 PM



“ Peggy was my Art Patron always teaching me about new and old artists. She bought my art at inflated prices to encourage me and keep me in art supplies. I will try to encourage and help others the way you taught me. I will miss you!!! Your acts of selflessness encourage others to be better people. Thank you. God speed. When you see him face to face, please, tell him I'll be on my way soon... May the Lord bless you and keep you. May his face shine upon you. May the Lord hold you in the palm of his hand always and give you peace. Your loving Nephew - Tim

Tim - November 25, 2021 at 03:38 AM



“ Margaret was an active member and often an officer of P.E.O. chapter AO in Vienna (VA) for many years. We all looked forward to her annual participation in our Christmas program, when she shared her artistic knowledge of the history and detail of one of the paintings in the National Gallery of Art. She will be missed! I personally often gave her a ride home from our meetings and have missed her companionship since she moved to Tennessee. We had wonderful conversations about our families, and especially our grandchildren. I am so very sorry to learn of her death.

Liz Brooke

Liz Brooke - November 27, 2021 at 02:33 PM



“ It is very hard to say goodbye to a dear friend and mentor. Warren and I have treasured our times with Peggy and Bill since we met at Vandenberg Air Force Base in 1961. Keeping in touch was Peggy's gift -- phone calls and note cards spanning many years. Peggy always sent me a birthday card on my birthday, November 17, and I always sent her one on hers, December 17. I will always remember Peggy on her special day, and we will miss her very much. Susan and Warren Cook

Susan Cook - December 01, 2021 at 01:26 PM