



## Helen K Gottschalk

September 4, 1922 - October 18, 2017

### Obituary for Helen Gottschalk

Helen Gottschalk passed away on Wednesday October 18th at the age of 95. She was a friend to many, blessed with a warm generosity and humor.

"Keefie" was born in Derby, Connecticut to William and Margaret Keefe. They settled in Hartford, Connecticut where she completed her schooling. Helen then enlisted in the U.S. Navy 'WAVES' and was stationed in Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania as a First Class Storekeeper providing services to the Fleet (operating forces in the Atlantic and Pacific Theaters). Upon the conclusion of the War, Helen attended Pratt Institute in Brooklyn, New York, graduating with a Bachelor degree in Textile Design. She met her husband, Laurence Gottschalk, at Pratt Institute and they were married September 9th, 1950. Helen and Larry moved to Montrose, New York to raise sons Michael, Peter and Paul. While in Montrose, Helen was active in Community Theater, the PTA and the Unitarian Fellowship. Helen enjoyed singing in the Sweet Adeline's International choral group and volunteering in the Teacher's Aide program at the F.G. Lindsey Elementary School. When Helen and Larry retired to Myrtle Beach, she was a volunteer for Adult Literacy Programs, American Red Cross and continued to perform with Sweet Adeline chorus International organization. After 20 years and the death of her husband, Larry, in 2002, she moved to Ellicott City, Maryland to be nearer to family. She moved, after 10 years, to Campbell, California, -, where she spent four very

happy years.

Helen is survived by her sons Michael, Peter and Paul. Daughter-in-laws Martha, Kasey and Anita. Grandchildren; Chris, Allison, Laura, Mary, Warren, Glen, Ellen. Great grandchildren, Amelia, Michaela, Mila, Zaha.

Family and friends are invited to a memorial service at 2:00 PM Saturday, March 17, 2018 at Goldfinch Funeral Home, Conway Chapel, 608 Beaty Street, Conway, SC 29526.

In lieu of flowers please make donations to the Alzheimer's Foundation of America, 322 Eighth Avenue, 7th Floor, New York, NY 10001.

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