



Corinne Hillman

January 1, 1921 - February 15, 2019

COOPERSTOWN - Corinne Hillman of Cooperstown passed away on Friday, Feb. 15, 2019, at Cooperstown Center for Rehabilitation and Nursing at the age of 98.

She was born on Jan. 1, 1921, and grew up in New York City. She attended Hunter College and New York University and earned her master's degree and teaching certificate in elementary education.

Corinne married Harry Hillman in January 1941 in New York City. Later they moved to Great Neck on Long Island where they raised their family.

She is survived by a daughter, Kathi Hillman McElroy (Hugh) of Port Jefferson and a son-in-law, Harlan D. Alpern, MD of Cooperstown. She is also survived by her two grandchildren, Micah (Sarah) Alpern of Mountain View, California, and Rebeka Seelinger (Brian) of Erie, Pennsylvania; as well as her four great-grandchildren, Bobby, Emma, Hazel and James.

For many years Corinne taught third and fourth grades in the Manhasset Public School in Manhasset on Long Island. Following her retirement from teaching she moved to Cooperstown in 1988. While living in Cooperstown she worked in the education department at the National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum as a museum guide for children visitors, was on the Board of Glimmerglass Opera, and taught ballroom dancing to Cooperstown Junior High School students. In her honor, the Corinne Hillman Award is given each year at Cotillion to the eighth grade young lady and gentleman who show an aptitude for the new dance steps.

Corinne was devoted to her family and had many friends in Cooperstown and across the country. She had a long, active, and successful life and will be missed by her family and friends.

She was predeceased by her husband, Harry Hillman, who died March 25, 1976; their daughter, Sandee Hillman Alpern, who died Jan. 10, 2019; and both of her siblings.

Burial was in Mount Hebron Cemetery, Flushing, Queens.

For those that wish to honor Corinne's life and memory, a donation could be made to the Cooperstown Cotillion, c/o Cooperstown Central School, 39 Linden Avenue, Cooperstown, NY 13326.

Arrangements are with the Connell, Dow & Deysenroth Funeral Home in Cooperstown.