



Doris Lucille Schofield

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A lady left us on Wednesday evening May 22, 2019. She was one of the last true ladies. She preferred the fashion and the manners of the more gentle world of the 1940's and 50's. Doris Lucille Schofield was born in Siegersville, now Orefield Pennsylvania to Idella Gerhard Diefenderfer and Ralph Diefenderfer on August 18, 1920. She was a 1938 graduate of South Whitehall High School. She went to work in the office of the Recorder of Deeds of Lehigh County as a typist and proof reader for transcribing deeds and mortgages. She was active in Beta Sigma Phi an international non-academic Sorority. She held most offices and committee chairmanships in local chapters and in London, United Kingdom. She was the Queen of the annual Stardust Ball in 1953, and was a life member of Beta Sigma Phi. In the 1952 Doris went to Europe with the local chapter of Beta Sigma Phi. They sailed on the Queen Elizabeth landing in Southampton. Doris caught the eye of the Chief Steward of the Cabin Class. This opened a new phase of Doris's life. She started to meet Jim Schofield in New York when the Queen Elizabeth landed. She soon moved to New York and went to work at Will, Folsom and Smith as assistant office manager. In September 1956, Doris sailed to England. She joined Jim in London and they were married. From 1957 to 1960 she worked for House and Garden magazine. In 1960, Doris and Jim returned to the US and settled in Bethlehem. Jim passed away in 1975 at which time they were living in Hickory Hills. After Jim's death, Doris became the secretary at Trinity Episcopal Church. She worked there until 1995. In

2006, she moved from Hickory Hills to Lutheran Manor on Westgate Drive in Bethlehem. Doris had many interests and enjoyed learning about what interested her. Her interests were all things British. She especially enjoyed travelling in England. She loved history and read extensively. She loved to garden and planted an herb garden at Lutheran Manor. In the year 2000, she suffered a stroke. She could no longer do many of the things she loved. She could no longer travel. She loved to quilt having served as President and Program Chair of the Colonial Quilters' Guild, but that became difficult. In 2012, she went to live at Atria on Macada Road in Bethlehem and in 2015, she made a move to Manor Care on Westgate Drive Bethlehem where she died. Funeral services will be held at a later date. Mrs. Schofield is survived by a niece, Margaret Butcher and husband William of Pinehurst, North Carolina, Great nieces Karen Harrison and husband Steven of Canandaigua, New York, Elizabeth Mc Carty and husband Ronald of White Hall, Arkansas, and Ann Garth and husband David of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and her very special friend Gloria Tarby of Bethlehem. She is predeceased by her parents Idella and Ralph Diefenderfer, her husband, James Schofield, her sister Elsie Clark, and nephew Neill Clark.