



Martha Pruyn Judson

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Martha Pruyn Judson, 84, passed away on February 27, 2026. Born in Albany, New York, she grew up in Loudonville. After getting her associate's degree in early childhood education, she married Alan, and together they raised their family in Niverville, New York. She later retired to Fernley, Nevada, and then to Columbus, Ohio.

When her children were in school, she co-founded and taught at The Church Street Preschool in Valatie. She also served as a dedicated employee at Hudson City Savings Bank. When her children were older, she once again found herself called to the classroom as an educational aide within the special education programs at Ichabod Crane Central Schools. She was known for her patience and kindness with her students, her fine penmanship, and her commitment to quality. She worked with elementary students and middle schoolers, and then was a note-taker for a high school student. She was missed dearly when she retired and moved to Nevada.

Martha also contributed to her community as a teacher and leader at the First Presbyterian Church of Valatie, 4-H leader, Columbia County Cooperative Extension volunteer, and an elder at the Gift of Grace Lutheran Church in Fernley, Nevada. She and Alan were also involved with Relay for Life, which

was very personal to the Judson family, as many of them have been affected by cancer.

Martha was a loving wife and mother, a loyal friend, and a devoted grandmother to her eleven grandchildren and many nieces and nephews. There were always cookies in the cookie jar at her house, home-cooked casseroles and side dishes, and homemade quilts and winter hats being made. She and Alan enjoyed traveling and collecting antiques together. She always had a poodle by her side to keep her company and on her toes. Her love and laughter will be missed.

She was preceded in death by her beloved husband of 49 years, Alan D. Judson, and her four siblings. She is survived by her son, David H. Judson, and his wife, Lisa; her daughter, Kathryn J. Dungan, and her husband, Paul.

A private graveside service will be held. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made in Martha's memory to the Alzheimer's Association (alz.org), Ohio Sled Hockey (ohiosledhockey.org), or The First Presbyterian Church, 3212 Church St, Valatie, NY 12184.

Tribute Wall

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“ After moving to Niverville from Long Island, I had the good fortune of meeting Martha when I applied for an assistant teaching position at Church Street Pre-School. She was my Director and mentor and when she stepped down, I was offered her position as head teacher. That was over 40 years ago and to this day, I can honestly say it was the greatest job of any and all that came after. I became a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Valatie and Martha and I remained close friends. Her daughter Kathryn babysat for my children for many years and was dearly loved by us all. I was saddened when Martha and Alan moved to Nevada and missed our long time friendship and frequent visits. As I look back on my life, I credit Martha for so many wonderful memories that I will forever treasure. My thoughts and prayers go out to Kathryn, David, and their children. Martha was a wonderful Mother, Grandmother...and friend. I truly feel blessed to have known her and will miss her dearly.

Chris Wells - March 08 at 03:27 PM

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Kathryn, so sorry to only recently hear of your mother's passing. I met you both when you attended First Presbyterian Church in Marysville. We did have her on our prayer list. My sympathy to you and your family.

Kathi Kinney, Clerk

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