

# Harriet Louise Carr, 97

8/19/1918 — 7/19/2016

SALEM — Harriet Louise (Flattery) Carr passed away peacefully on Tuesday, July 19, 2016, just one month shy of her 98th birthday. She was the wife of the late John H. Carr, former City of Salem Athletic Director, to whom she was married for 51 years. Her parents were the late Michael and Margaret (Reynolds) Flattery. Harriet was born in Peabody, graduated from Peabody High School, Class of 1935, where she was the vice-president of her senior class and also voted prettiest girl. She lived in Salem for most of her life. She was the secretary to the principal of the Saltonstall School for over 20 years, serving under three principals before her retirement.

Harriet was well known for her hat collection and matching outfits and never attended Mass without a hat. She loved reminiscing about attending Holy Cross football games to watch her future husband play football. She was part of the greatest generation that lived through the depression and then WWII. She learned to be thrifty and knew how to stretch a dollar. Harriet believed a sale wasn't a sale unless it was at least 75% off. She was devoted to the care of her 2 sisters, Mary and Lillian, on a daily basis for years when they were in a nursing home.

She is survived by her 4 sons and their spouses, Brian and Pat, John and Carol, Kevin and Maureen, and Peter, her very devoted son. She leaves behind 7 grandchildren: Brian Jr., Kristen, Kevin Jr., Kathryn Payne, Nicholas, Andrew, and

Austin, and 5 great grandchildren: Alexa, Brandon, Charlie, Lucy, and Everett, as well as several nieces and nephews, including her special niece Gail Townsend.



She was predeceased by her siblings John, James, Gertrude Griffin, Lillian Tomeo, Mary Carroll, Alice Sullivan, and Grace Flattery.

She lived the last 3 years of her life at Sunrise at Gardner Park, where she was treated with the greatest respect, care, and dignity, for which her family is truly grateful.

**ARRANGEMENTS:** Visiting hours will take place on Friday, July 22, 2016 from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM at the Murphy Funeral Home, 85 Federal St. (corner of North St.), Salem, MA 01970. Her funeral will take place on Saturday, July 23, 2016 from the Murphy Funeral Home at 10:00 AM followed by a Funeral Mass at St. Thomas the Apostle Church, 1 Margin St., Peabody, MA 01960 at 11:00 AM. Interment will follow at St. Mary's Cemetery, 226 North St., Salem, MA 01970. In lieu of flowers please consider making a memorial contribution in Harriet's name to Care Dimensions, 75 Sylvan St. suite B-102, Danvers, MA 01923 or the Discalced Carmelite Nuns, 15 Mt. Carmel Rd., Danvers, MA 01923. For additional information or online guestbook please visit [www.MurphyFuneralHome.com](http://www.MurphyFuneralHome.com) or call 978-744-0497.



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