



## Avis Corrine (Hutton) McHenry

March 11, 1929 - January 23, 2018

Avis Corrine (Hutton) McHenry, 88, of Sarasota, Florida passed away January 23th at the Brookdale Deer Creek Senior Living Community. She was a long-time resident of Sarasota, residing at Pelican Cove. There will be no local visitation or funeral services. Burial will be at the Whitefish Point Cemetery in Whitefish Point, Michigan where other extended family members are buried. A graveside ceremony is planned for early summer.

Avis was born in Sault Ste. Marie, MI on March 11, 1929 to Irene and Albert (Bert) Hutton. After graduating from Sault Ste. Marie High School in Sault Ste. Marie, MI, she went on to receive her nursing degree from St. Luke's School of Nursing in 1952, joined the Air Force Nurse Corps the following year and became a nurse anesthetist in 1956. She met and later married Lt. Col. Gordon D. McHenry (USAF) on April 16, 1958 while stationed at the South Ruislip Air Force Base in England. She left the military in 1958 with the rank of Captain. She felt her greatest achievement was excelling at her profession. She was very proud of her military service. She often reminisced about her nursing career and attended reunions with her fellow nursing students as often as she could. Avis is preceded in death by her husband Gordon.

Avis loved travelling and visited Europe, Asia, South America, Mexico, Africa, Greece and the Caribbean. She was an excellent seamstress all her life, collected exotic seashells, had a knack for gardening and landscaping and was an enthusiastic birdwatcher. She spent many happy summer months at the family cabin situated on Whitefish Bay at Whitefish Point, MI and enjoyed

taking long walks on the beach. She cherished spending time with her two grandchildren.

Avis is survived by her brother Robert (Bob) Hutton of Sault Ste. Marie, MI, daughters Renée McHenry of Holts Summit, MO and Pamela McHenry of Northfield, IL, grandson Terence Prete of Bronx, NY and granddaughter Camille Prete of Bronx, NY.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Coming to Paradise this weekend. Love you Mom.* ”



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**Pam McHenry** - September 19, 2018 at 12:00 AM



“ *Thinking about you Mom. Pam* ”

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August 26, 2018 at 12:00 AM



“ *Always loving you Mom. Love, Pam.* ”



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**Pam McHenry** - February 20, 2018 at 12:00 AM