



## Marie D. Leicht

November 24, 1938 - June 7, 2014

Marie D. Leicht 75, of Claverack, NY, died Saturday at Albany Medical Center. Born November 24, 1938 in California, she was the daughter of the late John and Patricia Macias. Marie attended Fresno State College following High School, she was an avid skier and was a youth ski instructor for over 25 years with the Catamount Ski Area. She enjoyed motorcycling with her husband Fred L. Leicht of Claverack and their yearly Memorial Day trips to Washington State with Rolling Thunder.

In addition to her husband Fred, she is survived by one sister Jeannie Gooden of Huntington Beach, CA, nephews in Texas, as well as aunts, uncles, cousins and many friends.

There are no calling hours or funeral services planned. Memorial services at a later date will be announced. Arrangements are with Sacco-McDonald-Valenti funeral home Hudson, NY. To leave an online condolence visit: [www.saccomcdonaldvalenti.com](http://www.saccomcdonaldvalenti.com)

# Tribute Wall

DW

“ Marie was always such a cheerful person and she seemed to be always enjoying life. I vividly remember a canoe trip on the Hudson organized by Dave Kaplan. Marie and I shared a canoe and we had such a wonderful time together. She did as great a job paddling a canoe as she did everything else.

*Daniel Wellner*

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**Daniel Wellner** - July 26, 2014 at 10:23 AM

VR

“ My dear dear friend Marie.....so sad for your loss Fred. I will miss her positive spirit. I will always remember her beautiful smile. Prayers to you and your family.

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**Vall Rice** - June 18, 2014 at 08:16 AM

LR

“ Fred, we are so very sorry for your loss of one of the most beautiful people. Marie was the most upbeat person. She was ready for a good time, all the time. Life can be so unfair.

*Sincerely,  
Laura & Michael Rutkowski*

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**Laura Rutkowski** - June 15, 2014 at 05:58 PM

PB

“ Fred, I don't know if you remember me. My name is Phyllis Van Alstyne Bell. I knew you and Marie many, many years ago. We were friends. and as life changes, we drifted apart. I am African American and maybe you remember me. I am so very sorry for your loss. I will keep you in my prayers. So sorry, Phyllis Bell , Charlotte, NC.

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**Phyllis L. Bell** - June 15, 2014 at 12:07 PM



“ Fred, My deepest sympathy. Just a memory: It was a dark night about 10 years ago at Catamount. I had just finished my ski patrol night duty. I got to my car in the parking lot and discovered I'd left my lights on. My battery was dead. Marie was there for me at my time of need. We hitched up the jumper cables to her car and I was on my way home. She always had a smile and a pleasant comment. She loved skiing and was definitely part of the Catamount family.

Wendy Neefus

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Wendy Neefus - June 11, 2014 at 08:58 AM

SE

“ Dear Fred,  
We are so very sorry to hear of the loss of Marie. What a sweetheart! She was always there with a smile and a hug for everyone. Her unconditional love had no boundaries and she was loved by all who had the pleasure to know her.  
Please know that we are here for you and only a phone call away.  
Nick & Sue Emanuele

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Sue Emanuele - June 11, 2014 at 05:21 AM

HH

“ I didn't get to know Marie as well as I would have liked to, but that didn't matter as she was so warm and comfortable a person, she made you feel as if you'd known each other all your lives. I recently shared with her the contents of a poster my daughter had had on her wall before we lost her in a car accident that said "there is no death - only a changing of worlds" - Marie gave her beautiful bright smile and said to me "I like that!" So, no matter what anybody's beliefs are about Heaven, if how a person was in this world is any indication of where their next will be, I'm sure Marie is in the BEST of places. I send my deepest sympathies to you, Fred - she was a fabulous person, and you gave her a great life and a reason to shine as she did. We will all miss her, but she will live on in the hearts of many, many people. Thanks for taking such good care of her - Hilary

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**Hilary Hart** - June 10, 2014 at 05:07 PM

MG

“ Fred, I was very sorry to hear about Marie. Please accept my deepest sympathy. I have such fond memories of her from work, Bible study and just being a great person.

*Mary Pendergast Gruber  
Hudson, Fl.*

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**Mary Gruber** - June 10, 2014 at 12:33 PM

JB

“ Fred,  
If I could reach up and hold a star for every time Marie made me smile, the entire evening sky would be in the palm of my hand. My sincere and deepest condolences. Her Catamount family will miss her deeply. Jacquie Burdick

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**Jacquie Burdick** - June 10, 2014 at 11:32 AM

JT

“ I will never forget the conversations with Marie over the past few months, as we both fought the battle with cancer. Her words were always reassuring and she would always say God will see us through. Betty and I both feel that she was in deed a gift from God. At this time I remember a saying on an old grave stone i saw in a graveyard in Down Patrick, Ireland a few years ago. It stated GOD GIVES US LOVE, GOD LOANS US SOMEONE TO LOVE. We all know she is in a better place..

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**Jack Murphy & Betty Taylor** - June 10, 2014 at 08:08 AM

DO

“ Fred, I have no words to say how much Marie will be missed. If there is anything I can help you with please let me know.

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**Dan Oakes** - June 10, 2014 at 06:41 AM

PS

“ I am so sorry for your loss. I know Marie from working for so many years together at Catamount. She always had a hug and a smile for me. The last time I saw Marie was at the Catamount end of the season party this April. Even though her hair was gone, she still had the biggest smile in the room! She will always be an inspiration to me to stay young and never give up! She will be missed. Pam Strompf (Catamount Cashier)

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**Pam Strompf** - June 10, 2014 at 04:59 AM

BP

“ Fred,  
*I'm so sorry to hear about Marie. Having just lost Tina back in November, I know what you must be going through. But be strong, it's what she would want. It does get easier, but it takes time.....Even in death,..Love remains*

*Bruce Puckett*

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**Bruce Puckett** - June 09, 2014 at 12:55 PM

LF

*Fred, We were so sorry to hear about Marie. Jeanette let us know that she had passed. She was a very sweet lady to talk with. Perhaps she mentioned our names to you. Blessings to you in this time. I can still hear her say " Oh Wow"*

*Dave and Lois Fields. West Portsmouth, Ohio*

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**Lois and David Fields** - June 10, 2014 at 10:08 AM