



## Pollie Elizabeth Townend

May 19, 1920 - August 10, 2017

Pollie Elizabeth Townend, age 97, born on May 19, 1920 in Deepwater, NJ went home to be with the Lord on August 10, 2017. Her parents were Ellen (Nellie) Jackson Townend and Herbert Townend from Yorkshire, England, a source of pride for Pollie for she loved England and everything English. She could boast thirteen trips to England where she spent time with her Yorkshire family. Her twin brother Jesse Townend predeceased her in 1986. They often joked with him saying "he was the best looking" but her reply was always she was born first and took all the good stuff.

Pollie worked for the DuPont Company, Chambers works, just two miles from her home in Carneys Point for forty years and five months. An athlete all her life, played basketball in high school and later on a league at the "Y" until her seventies. She competed in the senior Olympics in swimming, shot-put, javelin and basketball and had 99 medals to show for it but was most proud of her two gold and one silver international medal.

A life well lived, always happy; you might say "she did it her way" We will miss you Auntie Pollie. She is survived by many nieces and nephews, Jessie Beren, Havertown, PA daughters Pollie Ross, Lauren (Timothy) Possenti, Alison Hill, Leorah (Stephen) Mims, Pensacola, FL, son Chet, Irene Metters, McKinney, TX, daughter Adele (Joe), Leonard Metters (Cindy) Dallas, TX, Richard Metters (Katherine) College Station, TX, and her Yorkshire England family Margaret Thorpe, daughters Kate Webster (Timothy) Daniel, Thomas, Gillian (Stephen) Hill, Kieran, Joshua, niece Hilary Brown.

A viewing will be held at Ashcraft Funeral Home 47 State Street Penns Grove, NJ 08069 from 10:00am-11am on Wednesday August 16 followed by a service at 11am. Burial will follow at Oakland Cemetery in Philadelphia, PA. In lieu of flowers kindly donate to the Carneys Point YMCA and or Salem County Humane Society. Thank you!  
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# Cemetery Details

## Oakland Cemetery

Philadelphia, PA

# Previous Events

## Viewing

**AUG 16.** 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Ashcraft Funeral Homes (PG)

47 State St.

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## Funeral Service

**AUG 16.** 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Pollie Elizabeth Townend.*



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“ *Pollie lived a few houses down from my mom. I was always amazed by her! In her 90s she was still out doing her own yard work and frequenting the YMCA to stay in shape. My mom told me stories of her being in the olympics that my great grandmother told her. One could only hope to live such a fabulous life as Pollie did! RIP Pollie.*

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**Kim** - August 12, 2017 at 03:46 PM