



## Ann Mari Porter

July 11, 1918 - January 16, 2017

Ann Mari Porter, 98, formerly of the Beverly neighborhood of Chicago, passed away peacefully in her home at Brookdale in Olympia Fields on January 16, 2017. She is survived by her daughters Barbara Ann Horvath of Tinley Park, IL and Christine (David) Mitchell of Houston, TX; daughter-in-law Mary Jo (Phillip) Olson of McFarland, WI; grandchildren Heidi (Jeffrey) Ruhe, Andrew (Jillian) Horvath, Rebecca (David) Stockwell, Anne (Jason) Napieralski, Jacob and Alix Mitchell; great-grandchildren Lucas, Benjamin, Reagan, Vivian, Abigail, Noah, Elliot, Max, Oscar and Sawyer; niece Linda (Robert) Klute, nephew Richard (Shari) Jonsson and her caregiver Dorothy. Preceded in death by her husband Arthur Forrest Porter, son Jon Porter, her parents Anna and Sixten Jonsson, and brothers and sister-in-law, Nils (Becky) Jonsson and Ralph Jonsson. Mrs. Porter obtained her Master's Degree in Education from Chicago State University in 1963 and her Bachelor's degree from the Chicago Teachers College in 1943. As the Assistant Principal at Spaulding School in Chicago, she devoted herself to the students of the City of Chicago. She was a member of the Morgan Park Baptist Church in Chicago and was involved with the P.E.O. and Sunshine Club. An avid bridge player and tennis player in her youth, she lived her life in a meaningful way to its fullest. A memorial service will be held in March. Memorial contributions may be directed to the American Cancer Society, 17060 S. Oak Park Ave., Tinley Park, IL 60477. For info or to sign the guest book please visit [heartlandmemorial.com](http://heartlandmemorial.com) or call Heartland Memorial Center at 708-444-2266.



# Tribute Wall

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“ Mrs. Porter was a gracious and kind woman. She shared her time unselfishly caring for her children and the youth of her church. She actively supported BYF, the youth group at Foster Park Baptist Church. In addition to the normal meetings, she and her husband Forest hosted the group on camping trips and trips to their property in a remote area of Canada. Thank you Mrs. Porter. Regards, Orin

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**Orin Rehorst** - May 01, 2018 at 12:11 PM

RK

“ As previously shared I met your mother at our wedding in 1982. My husband George is a Swedish relative of hers. We kept in touch through the years and I was very saddened to hear of her passing. I was glad to learn that she lived a very long and happy life. She will be greatly missed by all.

*Rubi & George Kellgren*

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**Rubi Kellgren** - April 30, 2017 at 03:03 AM

JC

“ I am sorry to hear of your mother's passing but happy to know that you were able to be with her and share her life through many years. Your mother connected me with the Chicago Board of Education in 1971 ( thru Linda Jonsson Klute) and I was able to have great employment and wonderful memories as camp personnel that took children up to Camp Ravenswood for a school week. What a wonderful lady!

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**Janet Casterton** - January 23, 2017 at 10:09 AM

LK

“ *Bill and I (and Heather and Matt) are so sorry to hear of your loss. We have such fond memories of Ann Mari. Such a lovely, gracious lady with a great sense of humor and so many great stories plus a wealth of knowledge to share. She had such an interest in life and the world around her. We always felt so welcome in her home in Beverly and remember most being included in a family Thanksgiving meal there. What a treat!*

*I know that you all will miss her greatly but hopefully all your shared memories will help you through this difficult time.*

*Fondly,*

*the Kous family*

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**L Kous** - January 22, 2017 at 10:23 AM