October 2, 2023

Tuttie Webster

Tuttie (Ann Kilpatrick) Webster (Mrs. George D. Webster) was a vital and resourceful member of All Hallows Guild from her election to the board in September 1989 through 2010. She was involved in the Garden Committee (1989-2013; chair 1993-1996; cochair 1997-1999 and 2004-2006), the Olmsted Woods Committee (2000-2009), the Memorial Bench Committee (2004-2014) and the Woodland Planting Committee (2002-2008) and remained active after she became associate in 2007. Tuttie served on the Finance Committee (1990-2006) and as Assistant Treasurer from 1991-1994 and 2000-2006. She was known for her abilities assembling and disseminating information about the gardens to the garden docents, and she was a docent herself. She passed away in August 2023.

“Some people just get the job done. They have good ideas, articulate them, round up others– and then—Success! That is the case with Tuttie Webster. Over many years, Tuttie brought great ideas to fruition at the Guild through quiet leadership and creative thinking. Her dry wit and immense humility often masked great accomplishment. Indeed, talking to Tuttie, you’d think she had never done a thing. But the Olmsted Woods restoration –indeed the naming of the Olmsted woods itself — would never have happened without her. She was just an extraordinary woman who truly enriched my life,” says Dede Petri.

Anne Elsbree recalls, “Tuttie and I worked together for over 20 years on the Garden Committee, The Olmsted Woods Committee, and the Woodland Planting Committee. I will miss chatting with her about her roses, plants, and gardening. She was full of energy and new ideas and was savvy with computers way before the rest of us.”

We remember Tuttie as a real force and champion of our beloved Cathedral gardens and grounds and we will miss her kindness and humor.

Funeral arrangements are scheduled for Thursday, October 26, 11 am, at All Saints Church in Chevy Chase. Her obituary is here.



All Hallows Guild Board Members Suzanne Miller, Nancy Symington, Joanne Murphy, and Tuttie Webster (l to r)
