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1. Introduction

Kathy was born Katharine Peabody Clapp in 1937. She was often called Kap by family and long-time friends. After her marriage to Robert in 1966, she adopted Katharine Clapp Ruhl as her legal name. Kathy enjoyed over 86 years of a busy life full of accomplishments and satisfactions. She had loving relationships with family and many friends, with virtually never an argument. She was noted as a great listener to others and for her kindness.

Kathy and Robert moved from their home of 50 years in Cleveland Heights, Ohio to Carlton Willard Village in Bedford, Massachusetts in May 2019. Kathy's mother Mary Clapp had lived at the village from 1994 until her death in 2018 at age 106. They found their apartment at 206 Winthrop Terrace and the entire village to be an ideal choice for them, with numerous close relatives living nearby.

This site includes and expands upon the material being presented at Kathy's memorial services this fall.

OBITUARY

Katharine Clapp Ruhl, of Bedford, MA, died August 6, 2023. She was born May 8, 1937 in Boston to parents Mary Loring Clapp and Nathaniel Dudley Clapp. She is survived by her husband of 57 years, Robert C. Ruhl of Bedford, children Mary L. Ruhl of Medford (spouse Kevin Ghiozzi) and William F. Ruhl of Richmond, Virginia (spouse Christina Ruhl), and grandchildren Jordan Ruhl and Isabella Ghiozzi.

Katharine lived in Hingham before World War II and then travelled with her parents and brother David as the army relocated her father to Virginia and Florida. After the war, they moved to Pride's Crossing, MA and she attended Shore Country Day School in Beverly. She subsequently boarded at Shipley School in Bryn Mawr, PA. After graduation, she earned a BA in history of art in 1959 from Vassar College, in Poughkeepsie, NY.

She then spent an enjoyable and educational year in Florence, Italy. Upon return, she worked for several years for her father's manufacturing company in Wakefield while living in Cambridge. Subsequently, she moved to Boston's Back Bay and accepted a job as a lab technician at MIT, doing research on ancient metal artifacts under institute professor Cyril Stanley Smith. At MIT, she met a graduate student who became her husband. After Robert received a PhD in 1967, they moved to greater Cleveland, Ohio where she volunteered at the Cleveland Museum of Art and Case Western Reserve University. After they bought a home in Cleveland Heights, their two children were born. In 1979, they joined the Cleveland Skating Club and very much enjoyed their athletic facilities, dining, and social life.

In 1981, Kathy began volunteering in the archaeological department of the Cleveland Museum of Natural History, which continued for over thirty years. She earned an MA degree in Anthropology from Kent State University in 1996 and authored or co-authored eleven technical papers and nine presentations, mostly on artifacts made by native Americans from the Ohio vicinity before 900 AD.

Her hobbies included travel, tennis, knitting, power lifting, reading, painting, and sailing. In 2019, she and her husband moved to Carleton Willard Village in Bedford (a continuing-care retirement community). In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to the Perkins School for the Blind (perkins.org).

2. Family

HUSBAND

Robert Charles Ruhl (1941-) Born in Saginaw, Michigan. Graduated from Arthur Hill High School 1959. Received BSE degrees in Chemical and Metallurgical Engineering from the University of Michigan 1963. Awarded PhD from Massachusetts Institute of Technology 1967. Married in Beverly, Mass 1966. He was employed by Kennecott Copper, Standard Oil, British Petroleum, and Technology Management Inc. (a fuel-cell systems developer). His career included technology development, engineering, and management. He continues to be active in advanced energy system studies.

CHILDREN

Mary Loring Ruhl (1971-) Born in Cleveland, Ohio. Roxboro Elementary and Junior High Schools. Heights High School graduate 1989. University of Rochester BA in Economics 1993. MBA Case Western Reserve University 1998. MA in Social Work, Salem State University, 2015. Employed in greater New York City and Greater Boston in various computer software positions. After earning her social work degree, held supervisory positions in that field. Presently with SHINE (organization advising seniors about drug insurance plans). Owned homes in Winchester and Medford, Mass. Married Kevin Ghiozzi 2021.

William Fremont Ruhl (1973-) Born in Cleveland, Ohio. Roxboro Elementary and Junior High Schools. Heights High School graduate 1991. Attended University of Miami for two years. Employed at CBS Sportsline (an early sports web site) and later as assistant athletic director at Pine Crest preparatory school in Boca Raton, Florida. Now in sports administration at Collegiate School in Richmond, Virginia, where they currently live. Married Christina Hahn 1999. Daughter Jordan (see below).

PARENTS

Nathaniel Dudley Clapp (1905-1987) Born in Framingham, Mass. Graduated from Exeter Academy in New Hampshire 1923. Graduated from Harvard University 1927. Attended Harvard Business School. Worked in several jobs before enlisting in the U.S. Army in 1942. Served as an artillery instructor, retiring as a Captain. Took over the family manufacturing company in Wakefield, Mass and transformed it into a successful producer of sintered metal parts, mostly of bronze or steel, renamed Wakefield Corporation. An avid lifelong sailor, he bought a new Alden-designed 45-foot sloop called the Polly, which sailed out of Manchester Yacht Club and later from East Boothbay, Maine.

Mary Bowditch Loring Clapp (1912-2018) Born in Prides Crossing, Mass. Attended the Lee School, Concord Academy, and a finishing school in Paris, France. Married Nathaniel Clapp 1934. Lived in Boston before marriage, followed by Hingham, Weymouth, and 34 Thissell Street in Prides from 1945. They had four children, one of whom died at age four. Katharine was the eldest, followed by the two boys below. She was a member of the Nucleus Club of Boston and volunteered at the Widows' Society (now S.W.A.N). She arrived at Carleton Willard Village in 1994, living eight years each at 49 Concord Court, Llewysac, and Caswell. She had seven grandchildren and eleven great grandchildren. Mary very much enjoyed living at the village where she made many good friends.

BROTHERS

David Dudley Clapp (1939-2020) Born in Boston. Graduated from Noble and Greenough School in Dedham and Brown University. Worked at Wakefield Corp, his father's parts manufacturing company, and then succeeded him as president. David was very intelligent, had an excellent memory, and a great sense of humor. He and his wife Linda had three daughters, two of whom live in New England and one in Illinois. He and Linda lived in several homes in southern New Hampshire, then for several years in his mother's house in Prides, and finally bought a home in Boothbay Harbor. David was a frequent visitor to his mother at CWV.

Nathaniel Bowditch Clapp (1945-2020) Born in Boston. Attended the University of Denver, graduated from Franklin Pierce College in New Hampshire, and earned a Master's degree from Boston College. Married Hester Coolidge in 1969. Hester and Nat had two sons. He lived in prides before marriage and subsequently in Ipswich. They built a summer cottage in Friendship, Maine. He was Vice President of the family business, Wakefield Corporation, concentrating on sales. Nat also visited his mother frequently. He was known for his cheerful friendliness. Like his brother, he was a lifelong sailor who owned a sloop kept in Maine.

GRANDDAUGHTER

Jordan Loring Ruhl (2002-) Born in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Graduated from American Heritage School in 2021. Now attending St. Joseph University in Philadelphia.

3. Ancestors

She was born Katharine Peabody Clapp. A handful of her known ancestors are cited below. The numbers after G are the number of generations before Kathy. Maiden names are listed for mothers. Towns are in Massachusetts.

MOTHER'S SIDE

Deacon Thomas Loring (G10) (? – 1661). Born in England. Settled in Hingham in 1634. Kathy's mother was Mary Bowditch Loring (1912-2018), who moved from her long-time home in Pride's Crossing (a part of Beverly) to Carleton Willard Village in 1994.

Thomas Gardner (G12) (1592-1674). Settled in Gloucester in 1624. An uncle (four generations removed) of Kathy, John Lowell Gardner II, married the woman who became Isabella Stewart Gardner, a noted art collector who established a museum in Boston. Kathy's great grandmother Ellen Gardner (1860-1937) married Augustus Peabody Loring (1857-1938), one of the first to build a large seaside summer home in Pride's Crossing.

Nathaniel Bowditch (G5) (1773-1838). A fifth-generation descendant of William Bowditch, who settled in Salem before 1639. Nathaniel was brilliant mathematician, actuary, financier, and navigator living in Salem. He wrote the most important early book on navigation, The American Practical Navigator, (latest revision dated 2020) and still aboard every U.S. Navy ship. Rosamond Bowditch (1889-1950), Kathy's grandmother, married Augustus Peabody Loring II (1885-1951). Kathy's younger brother was named Nathaniel Bowditch Clapp (1948-2021).

Captain Joseph Peabody (G6) (1757-1844). A fourth-generation descendant of Lieutenant Francis Peabody, who settled in Topsfield in 1635. Joseph was a Salem merchant and shipowner who made a large fortune from the China trade. One of Kathy's great-great grandmothers was Elizabeth Smith Peabody (1822-1869), the mother of the first A.P. Loring.

Judge John Lowell (G7) (1743-1802). A fifth-generation descendant of Percival Lowell, who settled in Newburyport in 1639. One of his sons was Francis Cabot Lowell who was a key pioneer of the Massachusetts cotton textile industry and for whom the town of Lowell was named. Ellen Gardner Loring was a great-great granddaughter of the judge.

Governor John Endicott (G12) (1588-1665). Settled in Salem 1628. First governor of Massachusetts and later served four additional terms. A seventh-generation ancestor of Clarissa Endicott, who married a George Peabody, grandfather of Ellen Gardner, Kathy's great grandmother.

FATHER'S SIDE

Thomas Clapp (G10) (1597-1684). Settled in Dorchester in 1633.

Thomas Lewis (G6) (1774-1824). Successful merchant and owner of Lewis Wharf in Boston, which had been acquired by his father Thomas Lewis. Kathy's great grandmother was Mary Lewis (1842-1917). Her father always flew the Lewis family pennant from the masthead of his cruising yacht, the Polly (named for Thomas's wife)

Governor Thomas Dudley G10) (1576-1653). Arrived at Boston site 1630. Co-founder of Cambridge in 1631. Four-time governor of Massachusetts, first in 1634-5. Helped found Harvard College and Roxbury Latin School. Dudley was the middle name of Kathy's father and brother David.

General John Otis (G11) (1581-1657). Settled in Hingham 1635. His granddaughter married Samuel Clapp. His grandson Job Otis married Mercy Little, a great granddaughter of Richard Warren.

William Reed (G10) (1605- ?). Settled in Weymouth 1635. Kathy's grandmother Edith Reed was an eighth-generation descendant.

Mayflower Passengers settled in Plymouth 1620. Included ancestors were Francis Cooke (G11), whose granddaughter married William Reed and Richard Warren (G12), whose great granddaughter married Job Otis.

4. Education

Shore Country Day School, Beverly, MA. 1944-1952.

Shipley School, Bryn Mawr, PA. 1952-1955.

Vassar College, Poughkeepsie, NY, 1955-1959. AB in History of Art.

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA. 1965-1966. Special Student in Metallurgy.

Kent State University, Kent, OH. 1991-1996. MA in Anthropology.

Thesis: Copper Earspools in the Hopewell Interaction Sphere: The Temporal and Social Implications

5. Professional

Wakefield Corporation, Wakefield, MA. 1960-1964. Laboratory technician for her father's metal-parts manufacturing company.

MIT, Cambridge, MA. 1964-1967. Technical Assistant to Institute Professor Cyril Stanley Smith in his Laboratory for Research on Archeological Materials. Ancient objects studied included laminated steel swords and artifacts made of silver and copper.

Case Western Reserve University and the **Cleveland Museum of Art**, Cleveland OH. 1968-1973. Technical Assistant to Professor Donald F. Gibbons. Metallurgical studies of art objects.

Consultant on metallurgical studies of ancient artifacts, 1974-1980.

Cleveland Museum of Natural History, Department of Archaeology, Cleveland, OH. Adjunct Curator 1981-1994. Research Associate, 1995-2015. Conserved very old a native-American dugout canoe. Performed extensive studies on artifacts from the native-American Hopewell culture (1 to 400 AD).

Authored or co-authored eleven peer-reviewed technical publications (1968-2005), including a book entitled The Hopewell Site (1989). Gave nine presentations at technical conferences (1982-2004)

6. Hobbies

Weightlifting She began hour-long weekly workouts with a personal trainer over thirty years ago. During about the last ten years before moving east, she began supervised lifting of free weights. She came to really enjoy acquiring the skills needed and her progression on maximum lifts. She reached a dead lift of 185 pounds in 2015.

Sailing Kathy grew up in a sailing family and won races at the Manchester Yacht club as a young teenager. She did extensive cruising (mostly in Maine) with her family on their comfortable 45-foot Alden sloop called the Polly. She also sailed with friends and in rented boats while on trips.

Skiing Before marriage, she enjoyed downhill skiing many winters, commonly in Stowe, Vermont. During her year in Italy, she skied in Austria.

In the 1970s, she and Bob learned to cross-country ski at the Trapp Family Lodge in Stowe, bought fine wooden waxable skis, and then used them nearly every winter. Locations included many sites near Cleveland, at Boyne Mountain in Michigan, in Lake Placid and western New York state, and in Vermont.

Tennis She learned to play growing up and introduced Bob to the game at her uncle's private clay court before they were married. They both played frequently until shortly before they moved east, mainly at the Cleveland Skating Club where they were members from 1979 until 2019. This club has four indoor and eleven fine outdoor clay courts. She became very good friends with her ladies' doubles companions.

Knitting Kathy enjoyed knitting most of her life and became a member of the Knit-Wits at the Village. She completed numerous sweaters, hats, pairs of socks and mittens, scarves, and other items.

Needlework She made several beautiful items using Crewel embroidery.

Reading She was a lifelong avid reader, mostly of novels of many different types. Books were from public libraries, gifts, purchases, and acquisitions from her parents' library. In her final year, she enjoyed audio books from Perkins.

Cooking Kathy became a very good cook. She had a large file of recipes of diverse origin and also frequently used her favorite cookbooks: Julia Child and The Joy of Cooking.

Entertaining She was an accomplished hostess, giving numerous dinners parties of many different sizes. She also hosted some large holiday parties.

7. Entertainments

Concerts Before marriage, Kathy attended some Boston Symphony concerts with her grandfather. After they moved to Cleveland, she and Bob subscribed to the Cleveland Orchestra for fifty years (quarter seasons) and to Apollo's Fire (an early music orchestra) for about twenty years.

Theaters For thirty-five years, they subscribed to the Great Lakes Theater Festival, which performed four to five classic plays each season. They also attended various visiting stage performances, including Jerry Seinfeld, Victor Borge, and Mark Russell. They gradually saw fewer movies in theaters.

Dance Kathy and Bob were long-time subscribers to Dance Cleveland, which show a wide variety of national and international

Spectator Sports They attended a few Cleveland Indians baseball games every year, first at old Municipal Stadium and from 1994 at Jacobs Field (later renamed Progressive Field). They usually went to one Cavaliers basketball game each year. Kathy also attended a couple of Browns football games.

When son Bill swam on the Heights High team, they watched nearly every meet, including some with more than two teams.

Television Kathy and Bob watched television most evenings, mostly on sizeable sets with excellent picture and sound. They preferred PBS programs as well as selected specials and sporting events.

Nature They were long-time members of Holden Arboretum east of Cleveland, and there enjoyed picnics, walks, and cross-country skiing. They later became members of the Coastal Maine Botanical Garden near Boothbay and enjoyed annual visits there for the past twenty years.

Restaurants After moving to Cleveland, Kathy and Bob enjoyed dining (usually with friends or family) at a wide variety of restaurants, locally and while on trips. They most frequently dined at the Cleveland Skating Club, which had multiple venues.

Social Activities Kathy and Bob had active social lives, most often mutual visits to friends' homes including dinner. They also attended a variety of parties, including New Year's Eve parties with groups of friends.

8. Trips

Kathy took a number of trips before getting married. During her year living in Florence, Italy, she visited Austria and Turkey. She went camping with friends in the Gaspé peninsula of Quebec. She also vacationed in Mexico, Peru, and Chile. After marriage, she and Bob went on a great many trips together, which are grouped into two categories below. Their cruises are summarized in Section 9. The listings are not chronological.

INDIVIDUAL TRIPS

Egypt. Spent ten days with Mary and Bill on an excellent tour organized by Abercrombie and Kent. Stayed at a luxury hotel in Cairo and spent four nights on a Nile River excursion boat sailing out of Luxor. Saw the large museum in Cairo. Visited several pyramids, the valley of the kings, Abu Simbel, Karnak, Aswan, and other ancient sites.

Peru. A two-week trip with Barbara and John Schubert and a group of twenty-five from the Cleveland Museum of Natural History. Visited Cusco, Machu Picchu, Iquitos, and Lima. Spent seven fascinating days on a river boat travelling the upper Amazon and its major tributaries, the Ucayali and Marañon.

West Coast. Kathy and Bob took a three-week, 7200-mile driving trip, using Interstate 80 from Cleveland to California and I-90 returning from Seattle. Heading west, we visited Bettendorf, Omaha, Cheyenne, Salt Lake City, and Reno before spending three days at Yosemite National Park. We then spent four days in Napa Valley, enjoying wines, tours, and good food. We drove north to spend four days in Seattle, with a day trip to Hoh rain forest in Olympic National Park and a special dinner eating freshly-caught Copper River salmon. Next stop was Missoula Montana and two days at Yellowstone National Park. On the way east, we saw the Badlands National Park.

Munich, Vienna, and Budapest. Three weeks with Kathy's brother David Clapp and wife Linda. Began in Munich, spending much time with our niece Rachel and her German boyfriend Peter. Attended a Mayfest party at an alpine village. Toured Linderhof and Neuschwanstein Castle in Bavaria. Took the Orient Express train to Vienna and saw many sights including Schonbrunn palace and gardens. After several days, continued by train to Budapest and stayed in a luxury hotel. enjoyed sightseeing and shopping there before returning to Munich for a few more days. The entire trip enjoyed pleasantly warm sunny weather, with frequent outdoor dining.

Ireland and Norway. Twelve days with daughter Mary. Joined for the Irish portion by our English friend Nell. Arrived in Dublin, where we stayed four nights. Saw sights there and visited Nell's cousin who lived in a country house nearby. Flew to Bergen, Norway and spent several days sightseeing before taking a hydrofoil north to Balestrand, on a large fjord. Enjoyed several days there and then took the Flam railway up to a station where we boarded a train to Oslo. Saw many sights in Oslo before returning home.

Copper Canyon. A week-long train trip in northern Mexico with our Cleveland friends Barbara and John Schubert, with four additional days at their condo in Tucson, with a visit to the Desert Museum. The American Orient Express luxury train traveled from Chihuahua to Nogales through very impressive canyons, with many tunnels and bridges. In the west, we took a boat ride on the Sea of Cortez. We enjoyed the sightseeing and met interesting people.

England and Wales. We flew to England and stayed with our good friend Nell Bellord at her flat in the little Venice section of London. Our friend and her cousin Will Windham joined us for a drive to his parents' house in Glasbury, Wales. We enjoyed his mother's lovely garden, fine food, and local sights.

St. Barts. Joined by our Swedish friends Marta and Ulf Lindborg. We arrived on a small STOL plane from nearby St. Martin. We stayed at the very small Sunset Hotel on the edge of the capital Gustavia, with a nice outdoor breakfast. We used our rental car to visit excellent beaches and fine restaurants. This island is a part of France and we drank very nice wines at bargain prices. Since sugar was never grown here, all the natives are white, mostly from Brittany.

Netherlands, Belgium, and France. We took an art-viewing trip in the Netherlands and Belgium, which included people from the Smithsonian, Metropolitan Museum, and Harvard. We added days on our own in Amsterdam and Paris. Travelled by riverboat and motor coaches. Visited excellent museums in Amsterdam (including the Rijksmuseum) The Hague, Haarlem, Rotterdam, Delft, Bruges, Ghent, Antwerp, Arnhem, and Amsterdam. Took a train to Paris and saw many sights there and enjoyed good food and wine.

Hawaii. Spent four nights each on Kauai, the big island of Hawaii, and Oahu. Saw much lovely nature, including from a boat along the Na Pali coast of Kauai, where we saw an excellent green flash at sunset.

We visited the Hawaii Volcanos National Park. On Oahu we stayed on Waikiki Beach and Bob attended a conference.

Greece. A ten-day trip with twenty neighbors and friends and a professor of ancient history. Visited Athens, Delphi, Thessaloniki, Phillipi, and other locales. Saw much ancient art and architecture. Enjoyed many multi-course dinners, including one with a view of the Acropolis.

REPEATED TRIPS

Multiple trips occurred in the following categories.

Honeymoons. Our first honeymoon in 1966 was limited by timing and budget constraints. It consisted of visits to Mystic Seaport Connecticut, Newport Rhode Island, and Fall River (to see the battleship) and Plymouth, Massachusetts

Our second honeymoon in 1970 lasted two weeks, starting with visits to Mammoth Cave Kentucky and New Orleans. Next they stayed in Mobile Alabama, Savannah Georgia, Charleston South Carolina, and Williamsburg Virginia. The trip was quite enjoyable and educational.

Weddings. Our son Bill was married in Cleveland and daughter Mary in Prides Crossing, Massachusetts (in the same yard where Kathy's and Bob's wedding reception was held. Kathy and Bob attended a total of six weddings of their Clapp and Reindel nieces in Maine, Ann Arbor Michigan, and Atlanta. We attended weddings of our Clapp nephews in New Orleans and New York City. We also saw weddings of children of close friends in Port Aransas Texas, St. Louis, and the Cleveland area.

National Parks. With our friends Barbara and John Schubert, we visited Grand Canyon, Mesa Verde, Bryce Canyon, Zion, Arches, Canyonlands, Saguaro, and Petrified Forest National Parks. We also visited Acadia, Isle Royale, Everglades, Hawaii Volcanoes, Sequoia, Yellowstone, Yosemite, Virgin Islands, Mammoth Cave, Chaco Canyon, Canyon de Chelly, Biscayne, Cuyahoga Valley, and Olympic Parks. Our favorite was Yosemite.

England. We visited England about ten times altogether, always including seeing out good friend Nell Bellord. Side trips included visits to Edinburgh, York, Beverly, Castle Howard, Salisbury, Chelsea, Cambridge, Lavenham, Ambleside (in the lake district with Nell and Bob's sister Ann), Portsmouth, Windsor, Bath, Greenwich, Kew Gardens, Hampton Court, and Stonehenge. Many plays were seen in London, along with extensive sightseeing and shopping.

Italy. In addition to Kathy's year in Florence and our cruises cited in Section 9, she visited five times. Locations included multiple stays in Florence and Venice plus visits to Lake Como, Rome, Sperlonga, Ischia, Capri, Ravenna, Milan, Siena, San Gimignano, Paestum, Assisi, Naples, Amalfi, Pisa, Pompei, Taormina, and other places. We took a memorable day-long wine tour in Tuscany.

Sweden. We visited Marta and Ulf Lindborg five times. They lived in Lidingo near Stockholm and had a summer house on an island in the archipelago. We saw the Wasa Museum, Drottningholm Palace, Skansen open-air museum, Millesgarden, and many other places in and near Stockholm.

Denmark. We visited our exchange student Martin Johannessen and his family in Stroby Egede near Copenhagen. Side trips included visits to Odense, Jutland, Tivoli Gardens, Roskilde, and Kronborg.

Spain. We were here three times, seeing the Alhambra in Grenada, Barcelona, Majorca, and Menorca.

France. Two visits plus a cruise-ship stop in Corsica. A week in the south included visits to Avignon, Nimes, Arles, Orange, Pont du Gard, and Aix-en-Provence. Four days in Paris included Notre Dame, museums, good food, and a sightseeing boat on the seine.

Bermuda. We visited four times, staying up to seven days, joined on the first by Bob's parents. We celebrated Kathy's 70 birthday at a resort called Nine Beaches, accompanied by our English friend Nell and seven close relatives.

Michigan. About fifteen visits, visiting Bob's grandmother in Houghton, Mackinac Island (including a stay at the Grand Hotel), Boyne Mountain for cross-country skiing, Bob's home town of Saginaw, and numerous visits to Bob's sister Ann's family in Ann Arbor.

Florida. About thirty total visits. Primarily to Naples where Bob's mother and later his sister lived and to the Miami-Fort Lauderdale area where son Bill lived before and after his marriage to Christina and the birth of their daughter Jordan. Side trips included the Florida Keys (five visits), Disney World, Fort Myers, and Homosassa Springs to visit Bob's Aunt Mary Jane.

New York. About thirty visits. Many to our friends the Schuberts' farm house in Forestville for cross-country skiing, to visit Mary attending the University of Rochester, to visit friends at Chautauqua Lake, and to New York City, where Mary lived for a number of years. Also stayed in Lake Placid for cross-country skiing, Poughkeepsie for Vassar reunions, Corning for the glass museum, and saw the Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown.

New England. Made at least one visit each year after moving to Ohio. Bob's parents and his father's business were in Rhode Island from 1969 to 1987. Kathy's brother David lived in southern New Hampshire until 2013. Kathy's parents and her brother Nathaniel lived here continuously. Our daughter Mary settled in Massachusetts in 1998. We vacationed in Maine every year, including stays in West Gouldsboro and South Bristol, but most often in the Boothbay area. We visited Vermont for some cross-country ski trips.

California. Two visits in addition to the West Coast trip cited above. Saw San Luis Obispo, San Simeon, Pacific Grove, Monterrey, San Francisco, and San Diego.

Canada. At least eight visits, including four to Stratford, Ontario for their summer theater festival. Spent a week on Cape Breton Island in Nova Scotia along the Cabot Trail. Two visits to Toronto. visited New Brunswick to see Franklin Roosevelt's summer cottage at Campobello.

9. Cruises

Kathy and Bob enjoyed eleven cruises in addition to those described above in Peru and Egypt. They consisted of the following (trips lasted one week unless noted).

Royal Caribbean Cruise Line

Three seven-night holiday trips were taken in the five years beginning in 1986. Our party of nine was hosted by Bob's mother Dorothy, who had lost her husband Fremont in February. She was accompanied by Kathy and Bob, their children Mary and Bill, Bob's (divorced) sister Ann, and her three children Susan, Jim, and Jane. Dorothy's group was joined by a group of ten hosted by her good Naples Florida friend Caryl Smith and her children with their spouses and children. The two ships were virtually identical, with capacities of about a thousand passengers. Dining was conveniently at assigned tables of ten. Life and food on board were very good and so were all the shore excursions.

Christmas on Song of Norway. Sailed to and from Miami. Visited St. Thomas, St. John, Haiti, and Puerto Rico. We enjoyed Christmas morning in the empty ship's nightclub, unwrapping presents we had brought for each other.

New Year's on Nordic Prince. Also sailed to and from Miami. Visited Puerto Rico, St. Thomas, and Haiti.

Christmas on Song of Norway. Sailed to and from San Juan, Puerto Rico. Visited Cozumel and Tulum (Mexico), Grand Cayman, and Jamaica.

Nantucket Clipper. A ship with a passenger capacity of 100. Accompanied by our good Cleveland Heights friends Barbara and Randy Gordon. Sailed from Antigua to St. Martin. Visited St. Kitts, St. Eustatius, St. Barts, and Anguilla.

Yacht Rajada. Accompanied by Kathy's mother Mary Clapp, our children Mary and Bill, and our Danish exchange student Martin Johannessen, who lived with us 1989-90. Crewed by a young Englishman and his fiancée from New Zealand. Sailed to and from St. Thomas. Visited British Virgin Islands, including Tortola, Peter and Norman Islands, Virgin Gorda, Green Island, and Jost Van Dyke.

Yacht Wind Child. Accompanied by our good Cleveland friends Barbara and John Schubert. Spent three nights before the cruise on St. Thomas and three afterwards at Caneel Bay on St. John. Three-person crew included a captain from Norway and his English wife, who snorkeled with us often. Sailed to and from Tortola, British Virgin Islands. Visited many of them, including Peter Island, Virgin Gorda, Cooper Island, and Norman Island. Our best snorkeling ever was at sites called the Indians and the Dogs.

Clipper Ship Royal Clipper

Four cruises were enjoyed on our favorite ship with a capacity of 220 passengers. She has five square-rigged masts and 42 sails, with auxiliary diesel power. Launched in 2000, she has innovative hydraulic sail handling equipment, facilitating the daily use of most of her sails. Outstanding breakfast and lunch buffets were served daily, followed by fine dinners served by staff.

Western Mediterranean 2002. Accompanied by Kathy's brother Nathaniel and his wife Hester. Sailed to and from Cannes, France. Day visits included Corsica, Majorca, Minorca, Barcelona, and St. Tropez.

Three weeks Transatlantic 2005. Accompanied by our Swedish friends Marta and Ulf Lindborg for the first five days. Departed Civitavecchia (north of Rome) and arrived in Barbados. Day visits included Corsica, Majorca, the Alhambra in Grenada, Casablanca, Marrakesh, and Santa Cruz, in Tenerife (Canary Islands). The very enjoyable ocean crossing took ten days, with no other ships seen. Our route resembled one taken by Columbus. Two rogue waves from hurricane Wilma passing far north of us heeled our ship, causing glass to break.

Two weeks Windward Islands 2008. Sailed to and from Barbados. Days visits to St. Lucia, Dominica, Antigua, St. Kitts, Isle de Saintes, Guadeloupe, Martinique, the Grenadines, Grenada, Tobago Cays, Bequia, and St. Vincent. Two one-week trips from Barbados, back to back.

Eleven nights Rome to Venice 2016. Accompanied by Kathy's brother David and his wife Linda. Four nights in Rome before cruise and four in Venice afterwards. Daytime visits included Herculaneum near Sorento, Taormino in Sicily, Corfu, Montenegro, and three stops in Croatia: Dubrovnik, Hvar, and Rovinj.

Riverboat American Queen 2015. Accompanied by Bob's sister Ann. Pre-cruise night at historic Peabody Hotel in Memphis with resident mallard ducks. Visited Beale Street. Boat capacity 420 guests. Memphis to New Orleans, with visits including Vicksburg, Natchez, Baton Rouge, and Nottaway Plantation. Dedicated buses followed along, providing free daily shore trips.

10. Homes

Early Years. Kathy's family lived a rented house in Hingham before the second world war. They followed her father at Army postings during the war, including near Chesapeake Bay Virginia and Apalachicola in the Florida panhandle. Kathy and brother David loved playing on the Gulf of Mexico beach.

Pride's Crossing In 1945 her parents inherited the home at 34 Thissell Street, which her grandparents had used in summers. It sat on twelve acres of land, with large yards, fruit trees, a brook dammed to made a pond used for skating in winter, and twelve acres of nice woods. She attended Shore Country Day School in Beverly until leaving for Shipley in 1952.

Shipley School She attended this boarding school in Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania until her graduation in 1955. Made many lifelong friends there.

Vassar College Located in Poughkeepsie, New York. Majored in History of Art. Made many more lifelong friends. Awarded a BA degree in 1959.

Florence, Italy Spent nearly a year in a humble pensione called the Annalena with her friend Katrina Bogert (who later married Dr. Brandon Hart).

Cambridge Lived in an apartment on Shepherd Street with a succession of roommates after moving out of Prides for good. Worked for Wakefield Corporation (her father's parts-manufacturing company) 1960-1964.

Boston After accepting a job offer from MIT, she moved to an apartment with four bedrooms at the corner of Exeter and Marlborough Streets in Boston's Back Bay. Her roommates included Nell Bellord from England, who became a lifelong special friend. Upon marriage in 1966, she first lived in Bob's apartment at 344 Beacon Street. Their final year was spent in an apartment at 290 Commonwealth Avenue.

Euclid, Ohio Bob accepted a job offer from Chase Brass and Copper in Cleveland, Ohio in 1969. They moved into a three-bedroom apartment in a high-rise on the shore of Lake Erie, with a sixth-floor balcony overlooking the lake.

Cleveland Heights, Ohio In March 1969, they moved into the only house they ever owned at 2276 Chatfield Drive. It was an attractive 1924 colonial on a quarter-acre lot. It had five bedrooms, three full and two half baths, and a detached three-car garage. Kathy did a superb job of decorating and arranging furniture (which included many inherited pieces), with improvements also made subsequently. The house was sold in May 2019 following prolonged efforts to donate and distribute surplus items.

Bedford, Mass We selected Carleton Willard Village following many visits to Kathy's mother Mary Clapp, who lived there 1994-2018. Our apartment at 206 Winthrop Terrace was a perfect choice and is attractively furnished, almost entirely using furniture from Cleveland Heights.

11. Conclusions

Kathy enjoyed a long active life, with many years of walking, skiing, playing tennis, and weekly sessions with a personal trainer. However, she spent five weeks in the hospital in 2010 for pneumonia with complications, and this led to later intermittent breathing issues which ultimately caused lung failure in August 2023. She also began to experience macular degeneration in 2018, which her ophthalmologists were unable to arrest, so that by early 2023 she could no longer read books or knit: two of her favorite activities. Her loss of eyesight impacted all aspects of her life, making it very difficult for her to enjoy many of the things she had loved in the past, such as visiting museums or just taking in the view of the water in Boothbay Harbor, Maine.

She repeatedly expressed her wish not to have her life prolonged by breathing equipment and that she hoped to avoid the long and sad dementia of her mother and cousin. In her final year, she made it clear to her family that she had really enjoyed her life and hoped to have an easy exit. She got her wish: her final stay in the hospital was only four days, she was with her children and husband, and not in pain.

Her family and friends revere her memory, warmth, intelligence, and kindness. She enriched all of our lives.