



## Ruth Ardell Dwyier

November 28, 2011

Ruth Ardell Dwyier 91 of Woodstock, widow of Guy Dwyier, died Thursday, November 24, 2011. A memorial service will be held on Saturday, December 3, 2011, 2:00 pm at the Unity of Shenandoah, 6460 Valley Pike Road, Stephens City, Virginia. Burial will be private. Mrs. Dwyier was born March 24, 1920 at Canon City, CO and was the daughter of the late Alonzo and Minnie Chess Higgins. Born in a log cabin on a ranch in Colorado, she was raised with a pioneering ""can do"" temperament. She left home at the age of 17 and forged a pathway in life and business. With a level of determination matched by few, she took a life and shook it till it rattled. She had the gift of business vision and the ability to run any set of numbers. What she touched in business, real estate or the markets became a success. For more than 50 years, she made and left her mark here in Virginia and DC with Dwyier Associates. She was the first president of the American Marketing Association. She was a pathfinder as a successful female business owner and knew no ""Glass ceiling"". She is survived by two sons, John Dwyier of Alexandria and James Dwyier of Woodstock; a daughter, Elizabeth Cooper of Savannah, GA; five grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

# Tribute Wall

PW

“Some day this body of mine Shall not rise to greet thy morning sun;  
But that day I know I shall have gone to receive thy grace In the  
light of eternal bliss.” It was my great blessing to have known, loved  
and been inspired by Peggy for over 40 years. I loved her dearly. I  
will miss her greatly. I wish her Godspeed. For her family and many  
friends, may your hearts find peace in this time of sorrow.

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**Patti Singleton Williams** - December 01, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DB

“What a great lady she was. A person who needed to succeed and  
embrace life to it full extent, mother, wife and business  
entrepreneur. Sometimes a person who we happen to come in  
contact with along the way can provide the opportunity you need to  
improve your life. Peggy through her business provided that first job  
and put me on my path to be a self sufficient and prosperous  
person. I'll always be thankful to her for that opportunity. She  
provided jobs for many and gave all of them an opportunity. I got to  
know her family and know they are all good people with a sound  
foundation for the remainder of their lives. I know they can find  
peace in having a person in their lives that provided so much and  
gave so much to her family. I'm so sorry for your loss, but, know you  
must be proud of your mother and will be inspired to be as good if  
not better. God bless you, Dennis Bauserman

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**Dennis Bauserman** - November 30, 2011 at 12:00 AM

Jl

“Nothing Gold Can Stay. Natures first green is gold, Her hardest hue  
to hold. Her early leaf's a flower; But only so an hour. Then leaf  
subsides to leaf. So Eden sank to grief, so dawn goes down to day.  
Nothing gold can stay.

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**James A. McWhorter III** - November 30, 2011 at 12:00 AM