



Eileen Scott

March 9, 1923 - January 9, 2013

Obituary of Eileen Scott Eileen (Driscoll) Widdowson Scott, 89, known for her creative endeavors, died on January 9 after nearly 30 years as a prominent member of this community. She and her late husband Jack Scott managed one of Ocala's largest homes, where they lived and rented units. She then ran a one-person tour agency, not only showing Ocala's famous thoroughbred ranches and old mansions from her van but also taking tourists right onto the properties for coffee in the kitchens with the owners and even into paddocks and stables to show them well-known horses and newborn foals. Prior to her 1983 marriage to Scott in Wakefield, Mass., she also gave cooking classes in the middle of Boston-area supermarkets, managed a family resort for billionaire John D. MacArthur near where the TV series *Treasure Island* was televised (one frequent resident was MacArthur himself shortly before his death at age 81) and managed the quaint Turks Head Inn on Grand Turk Island. Mrs. Scott, known to most by her first name, was admitted to Tuscan House in Summerfield in mid-December due to pneumonia and succumbed at the Marion County hospice center three weeks later. Born on March 9, 1923, in Westfield, Mass., Eileen was the third child in the Driscoll family of ten. She lived in Glendale, California, in her early years and spent her school years in Melrose, Mass., where she married Dr. Robert Widdowson in 1943 just after he was drafted into the Navy while in dental school. Robert, who is deceased, and Eileen had three children who survive her: Robert of Belize, Caryl of Gray, Maine, and Janet of Petaluma, California. Eileen also lived for many years on

the rocky coast of Lanesville, Mass., a small town adjacent to Gloucester. From the Driscoll family she is survived by two sisters, Jean Cain of Downingtown, Pennsylvania, and Betty Connolly of Melrose, and two brothers, Jack of Rye, N.H., and David of Melrose. She was pre-deceased by sisters Kay Bistany of Fitchburg, Mass., Mary Liz Sheehan of Eugene, Oregon, and Patricia Scarpa of Reading, Mass., as well as brothers James and Robert, both of Melrose. Only a few days before she became ill in December a family memoir entitled Picnic for Twelve, written by her brother Jack Driscoll, was published, and she received the first copy. In the acknowledgments Jack wrote that Eileen was the "go-to person" for family information. "She has a knack for remembering anecdotes," he wrote. Services will be held at the Roberts Bruce Chapel East, 2739 SE Maricamp Rd; Ocala 34471 on Saturday, Jan. 19th at 10am. A social Driscoll family gathering will be held in Melrose this summer, at her request.

Tribute Wall



“ *Eileen Scott*

June 20, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *To the Driscoll Family..... Bob, Jan and Caryl, Jean, Betty, Jack and David: I was sorry to learn of your mother/sister, Eileen's, death. My daughter's, Kristin and Jennifer, and I, will always have fond memories of our times spent in Lanesville. As you know, my parents, used to rent the house next to Mary/Nancy during the summers. Part of our activities were traversing the rocks, using Eileen's house as a landmark to get back. Jack.....I just ordered your book. What a tribute to the family. I Can't wait to start reading it. Kristin and Jen are both reading it now, and enjoying it immensely. Our sincerest sympathy, Jane, Kristin and Jennifer*

Jane (Bistany) McKeon - January 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *Aunt Eileen was my godmother and wonderful aunt. I am so glad we got to visit in Ocala a few years ago with my mom and dad. I lived with her for several years when we were both at Johnson & Wales and I value that time we had together. Eileen was colorful and energetic and one of the strongest people I've ever known. The world is just a little bit less interesting without her; she will be missed.*

Andrea Nero - January 14, 2013 at 12:00 AM

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“ *On behalf of the staff at Roberts Funeral Homes, I would like to extend our deepest condolences to the entire family during this difficult time.*

Todd McBride - January 09, 2013 at 12:00 AM