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**With sadness we share news of the passing of past NYMS President Annemarie Reimschuessel**

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Dear NYMS members,

It is with great sadness that I share the news of the passing of Annemarie Reimschuessel. Many of you may know her from her involvement with NYMS in the past, and her role as President of the Society. Her daughter, Renate, shared this obituary which gives a favor of Annemarie's experiences, achievements and passion for many activities of life.

My condolences to Renate and family.

If anyone would like to share remembrances or photos of NYMS experiences with Annemarie, please feel free to forward them to me and we will add them to the next newsletter.

Sincerely,

Jay



Annemarie Reimschuessel, 98, died in the home of her daughter, Renate Reimschuessel, in Cheverly, Maryland on May 8, 2021.

Annemarie was born April 1<sup>st</sup>, 1923 to Charlotte and Oswald Colditz in Zwickau, Germany. She grew up in the turbulent Germany of the 1920s and 30s and lived there through WWII and into the Russian occupation of what was then called East Germany. In 1954, she escaped into West Germany with her family: mother

(deceased), husband Herbert (deceased), and daughters Regina (deceased), and Renate (<https://tinyurl.com/ACR-Story> ). Her husband, a polymer chemist, was soon recruited by the United States government. Eventually, the family settled in Morristown, New Jersey, working for Allied Chemical (Honeywell), where Annemarie became the head of their Corporate Chemical Research Laboratory. An expert in light and electron microscopy, she was an active member and also served as President of the New York Microscopical Society. She frequently took advantage of the cultural opportunities afforded by New York City, visiting art museums, going to plays, attending classical music concerts, opera, and ballet.

After retirement, she and her husband moved to Hilton Head Island, South Carolina, where she became a bit of a local celebrity for her 5-mile walks along the beach, which she continued well into her 80s. A local artist painted her on one of her walks. She spent the last seven years of her life in the home of her daughter Renate, where she continued to enjoy her cultural pleasures and became a familiar figure at local contra dances, where she would waltz with Renate.

She is survived by her daughter, Renate, as well as four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. She will be buried next to her husband, Herbert, at the Seven Oaks Cemetery in Hilton Head Island, South Carolina, where a remembrance ceremony will be held for family and friends.