



Dr. Betty Broadhurst

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Dr. Betty P. Broadhurst, 88, a Denver, Colorado native passed away peacefully December 31, 2007. Dr. Broadhurst practiced social work and was an educator for over 50 years. Her higher education began at Colorado College, graduating in 1940. She then received her MS in Psychiatric Social Work from Smith College in 1942, and was a caseworker in one of the first child guidance clinics in the country. Betty served as an officer in the Women's Reserve of the U.S. Coast Guard from 1943-1946. Later, she wrote a collection of writings about her Coast Guard assignments and about different WWII social work experiences published by the Columbia University Press.

After WWII, Dr. Broadhurst held several positions in clinical social work with the Veterans Administration, Yale Medical Center, Jewish Family and Children's Service in Denver. Due to her extensive involvement in international social work, Betty received a Fulbright Fellowship in 1953. For two years she was an instructor and consultant at the University of Vienna School of Social Work.

Dr. Broadhurst's teaching positions included the University of Denver, the University of Texas at Austin, and the Colorado State University. She received her DSW from Columbia University in 1964. Dr. Broadhurst was a Professor Emeritus in the Social Work Department at Colorado State University. Throughout her teaching career Betty has maintained and developed international social work opportunities and learning experiences for her

students and exchange scholars. This led to her extensive involvement with the Experiment in International Living. Leading groups to Europe and organizing the Experiment in Denver, making this one of her most unique accomplishments. Dr. Broadhurst led tours to Cuba, Mexico, and other Central and South American countries, as well as lecturing on subjects such as the accomplishments of East Indian women, mass communication, and social change. Betty was an avid traveler her entire adult life, photographing most of her adventures. She won awards for her photographs of native life, human interest, nature and countryside. Betty is survived by her sister Sue Mrs. Douw Fonda, 5 nieces and 1 nephew, and 14 grand nieces and nephews. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Colorado College- Attn: Development Office of Colorado College, P.O. Box 1117, Colorado Springs Co. 80901-9897, or charity of your choice.

A celebration of Betty's life will be held on Wednesday, January 9 @11:00 a.m. at the Fort Collins Senior Center with a reception to follow. A private family service will be held in Denver, date pending.