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The staff of Bird Observer is profoundly saddened by the death of Barbara Phillips in September 1986. Barbara was a member of the staff from 1982 until her illness became incapacitating. She served our publication in many ways with great efficiency and agreeable readiness. She graciously performed any task requested - from the dreary job of typing field records and transforming hand-written scrawls into camera-ready copy to scrupulous editing and meticulous proofreading and occasionally contributing material for publication. She was an appreciative and enthusiastic field companion and often devoted birding time to population surveys to provide annual counts for the records of night-herons at the Watertown roost, nighthawks in migration, and the autumn build-up of pond Wood Ducks. Those among us who knew her well admired her intellectual vigor and honesty. She has been sorely missed by the staff of Bird Observer and will be long remembered by her many friends.