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NANCY LEIGHTON CLAYTON, 1921-1997

On March 1, Nancy Clayton succumbed to congestive heart failure. She will be sorely missed by scores of devoted friends. It is hard to imagine a gathering at a hawkwatch or a rare-bird sighting without her warmly affable, smiling presence. A memorial service will be held at The First Parish Church in Concord, 20 Lexington Road, on Friday, April 4, 1997, at 2:00 P.M.

For over four decades of her adult life, the observation and study of birds was her passion, a passion that led to her enthusiastic membership in numerous birding groups, wildlife organizations, and conservation societies, to many of which she gave generously of her time and energies, her talents and intellectual gifts, often serving as an officer, a board member, a trip leader.

"What am I, if not a birder?" was Nancy's assessment. So surely her ethereal spirit is out there—watching redbills courting, a "gos" sweeping through the trees, or just away on tour, seeking a closer look at Eleonora's Falcon.

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