



DeLoscia Sabey

August 10, 2023

DeLoscia “Dee” Sabey was a caring daughter, sister, wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, and friend to all. She left this world suddenly on August 10th at the age of 92 in Suffolk Virginia. She was born to Floyd and Mary in Indiana in 1931. She had three sisters who predeceased her, DeEtta, DeLores, and DeLilah. She was one of a kind & taught everyone around her to be warm, kind, generous, and loving.

She married William Holman and had her son, Bill. They later moved to San Diego, California, where her daughter, Holly was born. She and William later divorced, and she became a single mom. In her spare time, she loved to dance and met her future husband Andy at a dance at the El Cortez Hotel. Dee and Andy Sabey married in 1967. They danced and traveled all over the world until he died in 2014. After his passing, she moved to Virginia to be near her daughter.

She loved all her children, grandsons, and great-grandsons with all her heart. She is survived by her son Bill Holman and his wife, Michelle, and two grandsons, Joseph and Riley; as well as a daughter Holly McElhiney, and her husband, Michael and two grandsons, Andrew and Daniel, and a step-grandson, Brent McElhiney; stepdaughter, Christine Sabey and two step-grandsons, Evan and Dillon.

A memorial will be held at The Loving Funeral Home on Saturday, August 26th gathering at 1:30 pm for service at 2 pm.

Memorial contributions may be made to The San Diego Zoo Wildlife Alliance (sandiegozoowildlifealliance.org) in her name.

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **26**. 1:30 PM - 1:55 PM (ET)

Loving Funeral Home Churchland Chapel
3225 Academy Ave
Portsmouth, VA 23703

Celebration of Life

AUG **26**. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *My Aunt Dee was a Special Lady. She was such a cheerful person to be around and so generous to everyone! The fond memories are so precious in my memory forever of her and her kindness! Rest in peace Aunt Dee Hugs and Love Marsha*

Marsha - August 26, 2023 at 11:47 AM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of DeLoscia Sabey.*



August 23, 2023 at 09:05 AM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of DeLoscia Sabey.*

August 22, 2023 at 03:22 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of DeLoscia Sabey.*



August 22, 2023 at 03:22 PM

HM

“ *Holly Mcelhiney lit a candle in memory of DeLoscia Sabey*



Holly Mcelhiney - August 20, 2023 at 03:56 PM

HM

Your light shined on everyone throughout your life.

Holly Mcelhiney - August 20, 2023 at 03:57 PM

JA

“ *Dee was the cool mom of my best friend since 1967, when they moved to the neighborhood. I don't believe I recall her ever saying a unfavorable word about anybody. She drove red Ford mustang 2's, always had made ahead casseroles or burgers for snacks in fridge for Greg (Bill) and Holly and me too I guess. Always tried to appeal to my mom (strict one) to let me do more fun instead of chores. Allowed Bill and Holly to be a little wild. Holly got to have a baby pet alligator, but he died, we buried him in the back yard. Anyway, Dee was a gem and I'm happy she had a long joyfully life.*

Jeanie A - August 19, 2023 at 03:05 PM

HM

Thanks Jeanie! I forgot all about the alligator, some animals are never meant to be pets. She always loved you like her other daughter.

Holly Mcelhiney - August 20, 2023 at 03:52 PM

HM

“ *Check out Deloscias favorite charity and donate in her name at: www.classy.org/fundraiser/4866982*

Holly Mcelhiney - August 19, 2023 at 01:01 PM

HM

“ My mom, Deloscia, told me a story about her and her sister as teenagers. They had saved money to rent a rowboat at the lake. One day they went to the lake and rented a boat for half a day. They got in and rowed and rowed around the lake, but made very slow progress with a great amount of effort. They made it back to the the dock later to return the boat. An old man in his rocker (presumably the boat dock owner), sat on the dock and watched them with a smile. He said “You know, it’s a lot easier if you pull up the anchor!”.

Holly Mcelhiney - August 19, 2023 at 07:41 AM

VE

“ You Will be greatly missed and it was a pleasure to see everyday at work, your smile made my day you would often call me your " hero" , but you will always be mine, rest in peace beautiful

Vernicia - August 17, 2023 at 11:54 PM

HM

Thank you Vernicia. You were her hero, and she was very proud of you and how hard you worked and went above and beyond every day! You will go far with your career in medicine and my mom would love that❤️

Holly Mcelhiney - August 19, 2023 at 07:31 AM

VE

Thanks you so much Mrs holly❤️

Vernicia - August 19, 2023 at 04:45 PM

JP

“ She was a lovely neighbor

joyce poulson - August 17, 2023 at 07:55 PM



*You, your son Mike, and Parker are wonderful neighbors as well.
Thank you for all your kindness! Mom appreciated you very much.*

Holly Mcelhiney - August 19, 2023 at 07:33 AM