



Ilene Myers Kiphart

May 23, 2025

Ilene Myers Kiphart, 94, went to be with the Lord on May 23, 2025. She was a member of New Creation United Methodist Church, formally known as Aldersgate United Methodist Church. Before that she was a member of Fifth Avenue United Methodist Church where she taught Sunday School for many years.

Ilene was a Past Worthy Matron of Esther Chapter #37, Order of the Eastern Star Fraternity. She served as a Grand Officer, Grand Electa, of the Grand Chapter of Virginia in 2004-2005. She was a Grand Representative of Florida 2013-2015 in Virginia. Ilene was a Special Appointee to the Most Worthy Grand Matron, Helen J. Westmoreland of the General Grand Chapter Fraternity 2015-2018. A Lady Shriner of Zulekia Court #35, and a member of the Ladies Oriental Shrine of North America, Inc.

Ilene worked at F/V Selma, Inc, starting as an office manager and bookkeeper, and Accounting for all Financial Statements. Prior with Eaton Financial Services in Portsmouth until Retirement. She was a Medical Receptionist at Tidewater Eye Surgeons and Associates beginning in 1988. Prior to that she was an employee of Sears Roebuck and Company in Unit Buying Control as a Retail Inventory Management Analyst and also later worked in the Audit Department. Ilene was a Past President of the "Business Women's Bible Class Luncheon Club of Portsmouth" while employed with

Sears.

Ilene was predeceased by her son Herbert L. Myers, Jr. She is survived by her devoted husband James Otis Kiphart; a son Stephen L. Myers and his wife Rhonda; daughter-in-law Donna Myers; two daughters Cindy Hashemi and her husband Massoud Hashemi and Christine Fisher; granddaughters Alexis Myers, Aimee Bond, Miranda Hashemi; grandson Kyle Ganey, great-grandsons: Lee and Danny Bond, Lex and David Ganey; and one great-granddaughter Addison.

A funeral service will be held at 1:00 Thursday, May 29, 2025, in Loving Funeral Home beginning with an Eastern Star Service, Rev. Randy Duncan will be officiating. The family will receive friends two hours prior to the service. Entombment will be private.

Previous Events

A Visitation Celebrating Her Life

MAY 29. 11:00 AM - 12:50 PM (ET)

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

Funeral Service

MAY 29. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

JJ

“ *Ilene and her family were our neighbors on Dogwood Dr. for many years. She was always so sweet to us and such a lady. In her last years she and her husband came to New Creation United Methodist Church so we got to hug and reconnect. She is surely one of God's most beautiful angels as she was on earth. Sympathy to her husband and sons. Jean and Jim Thompson*

Jean & Jim - May 30, 2025 at 08:22 AM

TF

“ *Ilene brightened every room she entered with her friendliness and southern charm, which she passed down to her children. She leaves an amazing legacy. May the Lord's perpetual light shine upon her as she rests with him in heaven.*

Tom and Nancy Parker and family - May 29, 2025 at 08:27 AM

CB

“ *I don't remember a time without her. She was one of my mom's best friends. I stayed over her house after school with her and her mom. She has always been there for me and I had the privilege of caring for her thru some trials and tribulations as well as celebrating her Jim's wedding and life. They were adorable, together, loving, adventurous, funny and full of life. I'm glad they found each other. I will always treasure the times I had with her. Love and prayers. Cyndi and Bobby Becker*

Cyndi Becker - May 29, 2025 at 07:20 AM

MH

“ *Rest in peace sweet Ilene.* ”



Mark Hashemi - May 28, 2025 at 02:07 PM

JB

“ *Joann Bralley lit a candle in memory of Ilene Myers Kiphart* ”



Joann Bralley - May 27, 2025 at 03:38 PM

TC

“ *The Bralley's, Carter's, & Cooling's purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Ilene Myers Kiphart.* ”



The Bralley's, Carter's, & Cooling's - May 27, 2025 at 03:25 PM

TF

“ *The Carson Family purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Ilene Myers Kiphart.* ”



The Carson Family - May 26, 2025 at 03:11 PM

TF

“ *The Wise Family purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Ilene Myers Kiphart.*



The Wise Family - May 26, 2025 at 03:11 PM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Ilene Myers Kiphart.*



May 26, 2025 at 11:24 AM

SR

“ *Sonia L Thomas and Stephanie Rowe purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Ilene Myers Kiphart.*



Sonia L Thomas and Stephanie Rowe - May 25, 2025 at 09:56 AM

SR

“ *Sonia L Thomas and Stephanie Rowe planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ilene Myers Kiphart.*

Sonia L Thomas and Stephanie Rowe - May 25, 2025 at 09:56 AM

SR

“ So blessed you were a part of our lives. We will miss your smile, your kind spirit and loving ways. You will be forever in our hearts. Love Sonia, Stephanie and family.

Stephanie Rowe - May 25, 2025 at 09:49 AM

BC

“ Ilene and her mother, Eileane, were close friends of our dad, Fletcher Carson Sr., and later of Fletcher Jr. and his wife. She liked to call him her brother because she cared for his dad so much. She was the kindest and most lovely lady we have ever met. Her heart was about loving, caring, and helping people. She was a unique and beautiful soul. She is certainly dancing with the Angels. Our sincerest sympathy to her family. Fletcher W, Carson Jr., and Barbara Carson Chesapeake, VA

Barbara Carson - May 25, 2025 at 08:34 AM

AG

“ I never met Ilene personally, but I know she must have been a fine woman. Steve and Herbie always spoke so lovingly of their mother that I feel that I know of her character through them. Ilene certainly did a fine job of raising a wonderful family. Steve, Matt and I will be praying for you as you go through this difficult time. Please reach out if we can do anything for you. Much love, Aimee.

Aimee Gloster - May 24, 2025 at 05:27 PM