



Joyce Rickman Dooley

March 28, 2024

Joyce Rickman Dooley was called home on March 28, 2024. She was born to Doris and Richard Rickman in Norfolk, Virginia. She graduated from Granby High School in 1962 and earned her Bachelor's degree in education from James Madison University in 1967. She then went on to teach elementary students for 32 years in Chesapeake, Virginia at B.M. Williams, George Washington Carver, and Camelot Elementary Schools. As a long time resident of Chesapeake, Joyce attended Westhaven Baptist Church and enjoyed teaching Bible school every summer. She was a member of the Esther Chapter #37 Order of the Eastern Star and the Chesapeake Tea Party, along with her husband.

She had a love for gardening, once an active member of the Daily Lily Society. She also loved traveling to see her grandchildren and taking trips with her husband, sister, mom, and daughter. During her retirement, she enjoyed her newfound time crocheting scarves and blankets and painting sceneries.

Joyce is survived by her daughter, Katie; sister, Pat Wilhite and husband Alan; nephews Jason Wilhite and wife Mary Lynn, Adam Wilhite and wife Dana, Daniel Bingel and wife Wendy, and Troy Bingel; niece, Wendy Wood; great-niece Charlotte Wilhite; great-nephew Carson Wilhite; bonus daughters Elsie Comeau, Malissa Dobkins, Michelle Tuttle and husband Paul and bonus son Gene Dickerson; granddaughters Victoria Banton and husband Jordan and

Devin Kiester and husband Dylan, Kadin, Jordynne, and Karis; great-grandchildren Andrew and Isabelle Banton and Charlotte Comeau; and bonus grandchildren Summer Stephens and husband Hunter, Stetson Stephens, Shay Wood, along with many more cousins. She is predeceased by her husband Daniel J. Dooley.

There will be a celebration of life on Saturday, April 27, 11 a.m. at Westhaven Baptist Church located at 4900 Caroline Avenue, Portsmouth, Virginia.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

APR 27. 11:00 AM (ET)

Westhaven Baptist Church
4900 Caroline Ave.
Portsmouth, VA 23707