



Libby Keel

October 19, 2019

Elizabeth “Libby” Taylor Keel, 85, went home to be with the Lord and join her beloved husband on Saturday, October 19, 2019. She was a native of North Carolina and a member of the former Western Branch Baptist Church in Portsmouth, Virginia.

Libby was predeceased by her husband, James W. Keel, Jr.; brother, Louis J. “Freddie” Taylor and sister-in-law, Frances Keel Pope. She is survived by her 3 sons, James W. Keel, III, Jeffrey W. Keel and wife, Valerie, Jerry W. Keel and wife, Mendy; 10 grandchildren; 4 great grandchildren; sisters-in-law, Marilyn B. Taylor, Grace Ripley Jones and Lois D. Keel; brothers-in-law, Robert B. Keel, Clarence W. Keel and wife, Linda, Anthony L. Keel and wife, Debbie; numerous nieces and nephews; half-siblings, Tommy Taylor and wife, Marlo, Bruce Taylor and wife, Wanda, Fran Outlaw and Judy Scott. Libby had a kind, gentle and giving spirit and she leaves behind many friends. She loved the Lord. She always put her family first and they were the center of her world.

The family would like to express their gratitude to the entire staff of the Sentara Obici ICU for the excellent care and kindness given during Libby’s recent illness.

A funeral service will be held at 2:00 pm Wednesday in Loving Funeral Home by Rev. Dean H. Harvey with burial to follow at Greenlawn Memorial Gardens.

The family will receive friends in the funeral home Tuesday from 6:30-7:30 pm.

Cemetery Details

Greenlawn Memorial Gardens

3920 Airline Blvd
Chesapeake, VA 23321

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **22**. 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM (ET)

Loving Funeral Home Churchland Chapel
3225 Academy Ave.
Portsmouth, VA 23703
(757) 484-3373

Celebration of Life

OCT **23**. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ I was saddened ed to see of Libby's death, and even sorrier I could not come to the viewing or funeral, for health reasons. My sister, Betty Jane Chauncey Baxter, was in the hospital, but sends her condolences. We both grew up with the Keels at Fourth St. Baptist, and have many good memories of all.

Our thoughts and prayers with all of family.

Bobby "Bob" Chauncey - October 30, 2019 at 09:42 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Libby Keel.



October 22, 2019 at 11:54 AM

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“ Libby was my very special "sister-in-love." We shared many times together laughing, loving and traveling. I will always remember how much she loved my brother, all of her children and grandchildren. She was so proud of each one of them, and never hesitated to let them know. The Keel family has lost a true matriarch, and I for one have lost a very dear friend. I miss you already, Libby.

Grace Keel Ripley-Jones - October 22, 2019 at 10:05 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Libby Keel.*



October 22, 2019 at 08:48 AM



“ *Just sending my deepest condolences. May your family hold onto all the special memories and times together. May the Lord comfort and hold you during your grief.*



Tamara Carter - October 22, 2019 at 07:45 AM



“ *Sweet Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Libby Keel.*



October 21, 2019 at 10:33 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Libby Keel.*



October 21, 2019 at 09:48 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Libby Keel.*



October 21, 2019 at 08:54 PM



“ *Tony, Debbie, Angela, Christie, Beth, and Laura purchased the Guiding Light Bouquet for the family of Libby Keel.*



Tony, Debbie, Angela, Christie, Beth, and Laura - October 21, 2019 at 08:52 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Libby Keel.*



October 21, 2019 at 05:10 PM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Libby Keel.*



October 21, 2019 at 03:46 PM

Dave Davidson

“ We met Libby at Stephen and Lisa's Wedding. Although we only met her briefly, we could see what a kind, loving, sweet lady she was. Libby loved her Family very much and she loved her Lord. Prayers for comfort and peace for her Family--- Know that she is "home" with our Lord.. God bless you all... Dave and Cathy Davidson

Dave Davidson - October 21, 2019 at 02:50 PM



“ Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Libby Keel.



October 21, 2019 at 10:01 AM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Libby Keel.



October 21, 2019 at 08:12 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Libby Keel.



October 21, 2019 at 07:25 AM

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“ So sorry for your loss. I last saw Libby in June at Shannon’s graduation. She was a sweet woman and I know she will be missed greatly.



Carol Eastman - October 20, 2019 at 10:06 PM