



## Deborah Corinne Watson

May 4, 1949 - December 14, 2024

Deborah Corinne Watson, beloved wife, sister, teacher, and friend, passed away peacefully on December 14, 2024, in Haymarket, Virginia, at the age of 75. A resident of Gainesville, Virginia, Debbie will be remembered for her warmth, kindness, and friendliness.

Born on May 4, 1949, in Alexandria, Virginia, to Orville and Helen McInturff Thompson, Debbie spent much of her life in Fairfax, Virginia, before retiring in Gainesville. Despite a long and courageous battle with Alzheimer's disease, her spirit remained unbroken.

A graduate of George Mason University, Debbie pursued a career in education and became a dedicated middle school math teacher, shaping the minds and futures of countless students. It was at Robert Frost Middle School that she met the love of her life, fellow teacher John M. Watson. The two shared a beautiful partnership rooted in love, respect, and a shared commitment to education, celebrating 50 years of marriage together.

Debbie found immense joy in the simple pleasures of life. She cherished her visits to the beaches of North Carolina and Maui, where the sound of the waves and the feel of the sand brought her peace and happiness. Her love for dachshunds was well-known, and she delighted in their playful and loving nature.

Debbie is survived by her loving husband, John M. Watson and her devoted brother, Gregory K. Thompson. She was predeceased by her parents, Orville and Helen McInturff Thompson.

Debbie's interment will be at 10:00 am on Monday, December 23, 2024, at Stonewall Memory Gardens in Manassas, Virginia. Family, friends, and neighbors are invited to gather and honor a life that was truly well-lived. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association.

# Cemetery Details

## Stonewall Memory Gardens

12004 Lee Highway  
Manassas, VA 20109  
<http://www.stonewallmemorygardens.com>

# Previous Events

## Burial

DEC **23**. 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

Stonewall Memory Gardens  
12004 Lee Hwy  
Manassas, VA 20109  
(703) 754-4210

# Tribute Wall

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“ As I reflect on your impact on my life, a Dr .Suess quote comes to mind. "To the world you may be one person, but to one person you may be the world." Thanks for being a such an important part of my life's journey. I' ll keep you in my heart always. Your brother, Greg

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**Greg Thompson** - January 03, 2025 at 07:02 PM

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“ Debbie was a next-door neighbor to us. We shared many happy times together. Our sympathies to John.

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**Sherrill Misner** - December 25, 2024 at 05:42 AM