



Doris Blair

February 13, 1944 - February 14, 2022

A new angel has arrived in heaven. Doris Blair, 78, of Manassas, VA passed away peacefully in her sleep on February 14, 2022. Born on February 13, 1944, she was the youngest of five children born in Philadelphia, PA to John Redfern Braithwaite, Sr, and Effie Braithwaite. She married Gene Donald Blair of Lebanon, PA in 1963 and immediately moved to Virginia to become a lifelong resident.

Doris was a lover of country and gospel music and played her guitar and sang at home and at her church. She was a collector of dolls, angels, and eagles. Her proudest moment was when she received her GED from the state of Virginia in 1986. She was a stay-at-home mom and housewife until 1981, when she entered the healthcare field, first as a live in aid for the elderly, then as a group home counselor until she retired in 2006. She spent her retirement years watching her grandchildren grow and graduate high school and college, and travelled frequently, visiting her friends and family. She never had a cross word to say and was always a cheerful soul!

She was predeceased by her husband Gene, her daughter Jean Victoria, her parents John and Effie, her brothers John Redfern (Jack) Braithwaite, Jr and Richard Braithwaite and her sister Harriet Thomas.

She is survived by her three sons, Gary Blair of Waldorf, MD married to Lori,

Fredrick Blair of Warrenton, VA married to Melissa, and Ken Blair of Centerville, VA., her three grandchildren, Gene Blair of Pasadena, MD, Taylor Blair of Warrenton, VA and Stephen Blair of Warrenton, VA and her brother Allen Braithwaite of Santa Barbara, CA.

A visitation will be held on Friday February 25, 2022 from 6:00-8:00 PM at Pierce Funeral Home (9609 Center Street, Manassas, Virginia 20110). A going home Service will be held on Saturday, February 26, 2022 at 10:30 AM, also at Pierce Funeral Home, with inurnment at Stonewall Memory Gardens to follow immediately after.

Cemetery Details

Stonewall Memory Gardens

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

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **25**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Pierce Funeral Home
9609 Center St.
Manassas, VA 20110
(703) 257-6028
pfh@piercefh.com
<https://www.piercefh.com>

Memorial Service

FEB **26**. 10:30 AM (ET)

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Inurnment

FEB **26**. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

LW

“ *My best buddy. She took fantastic care of my mom. She stayed with me when my husband died. We were so close for many years. We went too gather Grand Ole Opry. We met Luke Bryan Jeanie C Riley She told me it was the best trip she ever had. We talked with Alan Jackson as we passed him with his groceries. We went to Lexington and Louisville for the 145 Kentucky Derby. Lastly we went to Ocean City. She said as we sat on the boardwalk how peaceful and relaxing the Ocean was. Losing her has been as s hard as one of my own. Fred Gary and Ken you all are so lucky to have her as your mom. She will be on my heart and mind every single day till I die and gratefully see her again. Doris we can travel again in heaven. I love you so much and always will. Linda*



Linda Walker - September 08, 2022 at 05:22 PM

LC

“ *Love, Shelly and Charles purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Doris Blair.*



Love, Shelly and Charles - February 25, 2022 at 11:19 AM

JG

“ *Janet E. Gatewood lit a candle in memory of Doris Blair*



Janet E. Gatewood - February 24, 2022 at 10:35 PM

LW

I almost forgot. Fred I am the one that bought Doris the pink HP. Laptop. We we were hoping she would want to learn but was so happy for your kids Fred or her precious grandchildren the laptop would have bought her the moon us she wanted it. I have been in and out of hospitals and nursing homes myself so unfortunately I couldn't make it to her funeral but I had called her at the nursing home so I am so thankful we had that last talk it was horrible when I called him and found her phone it been disconnected the horrible way to find out but couldn't be helped thank you for letting me share your mom. I love you all. Linda

Linda Walker - September 08, 2022 at 05:38 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Doris Blair.*



February 24, 2022 at 09:55 PM

JB

“ *It has been wonderful to know Doris for almost 50 years. She had a heart of gold and sang like an angel. She loved her children and grandchildren. I still have her recipe for her beef stew which was a favorite she liked to make. She had a beautiful smile. Our mother also loved her so. She is now with the Good Lord. She is at peace, no more pain or sorrow.*

June Blair - February 23, 2022 at 04:59 PM

LJ

“ Love, Sister-in-law & Aunt June purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Doris Blair.



Love, Sister-in-law & Aunt June - February 23, 2022 at 04:51 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Doris Blair.



February 23, 2022 at 03:31 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Doris Blair.



February 23, 2022 at 12:29 PM

CW

“ Those of us here on Cardinal Heights would like to express our sincerest condolences to Mrs. Blair's family. She will be missed by all of us that had the privilege of knowing and caring for her.



Candace Washington - February 21, 2022 at 11:14 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Doris Blair.*



February 19, 2022 at 04:39 PM



“ *Dennis, Pat, Stacy, Tracy, Ryan, Kelly, Ian, Raylan & Emilyynn purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Doris Blair.*



Dennis, Pat, Stacy, Tracy, Ryan, Kelly, Ian, Raylan & Emilyynn
- February 19, 2022 at 11:06 AM



“ *Billy Ward purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Doris Blair.*



Billy Ward - February 19, 2022 at 07:41 AM



“ *Dianne, Jimmy, Doug, Marcia & families. purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Doris Blair.*



Dianne, Jimmy, Doug, Marcia & families. - February 18, 2022
at 08:02 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Doris Blair.*



February 18, 2022 at 03:19 PM



“ *Many memories- most from childhood flood my mind's eye. Once, when she was 10 years old she was not watching while attempting to cross the street at Chelten Ave. and Limekiln Pike. The #53 trolley started up and the conductor, realizing the peril, dropped the cowcatcher (a safety device affixed to the front of the trolley) just in time to save her from its wheels. Another, Wagner Jr. high event, brings a marvelous image of a young student (Doris) climbing out the first-floor classroom window of the school to play hookey. But most of those years she was an active member of our crowd, dancing up a storm and maintaining a seriously happy time of our lives together with Julie Chernach, Dottie Newman, Dave and Don Griffiths, Carl Obst, Bob Rudisill, Dave Hebert, Sharon Vogenitz, Barbara Walton and Ruth Kelley.*

Allen Braithwaite - February 18, 2022 at 02:57 PM



“ *Love, Brother Al and Ann purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Doris Blair.*



Love, Brother Al and Ann - February 18, 2022 at 02:37 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Doris Blair.



February 18, 2022 at 12:59 PM