



Elizabeth Rennolds Catron

March 11, 1937 - January 13, 2016

ELIZABETH RENNOLDS CATRON (Age 78)

Of Manassas passed away peacefully at Prince William Hospital on January 13, 2016. She was born March 11, 1937 in Richmond to the late John Sthreshley and Elizabeth Jones Rennolds. She was preceded in death by her brother John Christian Rennolds.

Mrs. Catron graduated from John Marshall High School in Richmond, and received her Bachelor of Arts degree in English from Bryn Mawr College in 1959. She then taught English at Collegiate High School in Richmond before doing graduate studies at Exeter College in England. She received her Masters degree from George Mason University, and taught at Saint Agnes in Alexandria. In 1980, she began teaching in the Prince William County school system. She taught English, French, and the Gifted Program at Parkside Middle School, Brentsville High School, and Woodbridge High School.

After retiring from teaching, she volunteered at the National Gallery of Art, and the Manassas Museum. She was a devout Episcopalian and was a 41-year member of Trinity Episcopal Church in Manassas.

Mrs. Catron is survived by her husband of 52 years Jerry Michael Catron; sons Jerry Michael Catron, Jr. (Grasonville, MD), John Christian Rennolds Catron (Vancouver, BC), and Robert Louis Catron (Broadlands, VA);

daughters-in-law Karen, Kelly, and Sheila; and grandchildren Judy, Jake, Ben, Jack, Collette, and Carissa.

A memorial service for Mrs. Catron will be held at 2pm on Saturday, January 16, 2016 at Trinity Episcopal Church, 9325 West Street, Manassas at 2 p.m. A reception at the church will immediately follow the service.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to Bryn Mawr College class of '59, 101 N. Merion Ave., Bryn Mawr, PA, 19010, or to the Manassas Museum, 9101 Prince William St., Manassas, VA, 20110.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JAN 16. 2:00 PM (ET)

Trinity Episcopal Church
9325 West Street
Manassas, VA

Tribute Wall

JG

“ *James, Kathleen, Gregory and Eve Gilbert purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Elizabeth Rennolds Catron.*



James, Kathleen, Gregory and Eve Gilbert - January 16, 2016
at 10:54 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Elizabeth Rennolds Catron.*



January 16, 2016 at 10:29 AM

DW

“ *The sky is wan and weary,
Dull slate gray and teary.
Behind the clouds no glimmer of light
Through the day and into night--
Our dear Liz is gone.*

*First a classmate and always a friend
She always had an ear to lend
Whether by phone or via email
She would listen to every tale.
But our pal Liz is gone.*

*Her talent in writing was known to us all
As class notes editor, she held us in thrall.
The Bulletin printed her notes for '59
Her unique style was there in every line.
Our witty Liz is gone.*

*An accomplished teacher, also mother and wife;
Family, friends and neighbors mourn the end of her life.
All who knew her celebrate the pleasure she brought
In spite of the health struggles and battles she fought.
Our spirited Liz is gone.*

*Though we no longer can meet her on earth
We still hear her voice, her dry humor and mirth.
Her strong opinions and clear reasons
Will be in our thoughts for many times and seasons.
Our memories of Liz are not gone.*

Doris Wachsler

Doris Wachsler - January 15, 2016 at 10:34 PM

RO

Doris, your words are very kind, special, and thoughtful. Thank you so much.
Rob Catron

Rob - January 18, 2016 at 07:14 AM



Hannah
Marry

I respect your great words.. <http://goo.gl/qFA2k0>

Hannah Marry - March 07, 2016 at 11:42 PM

AM

“*Liz/Betty/ Elizabeth- whatever name she used- was a special. unique person with a quick wit, and wry sense of humor which surely helped her endure this mysterious ailment that stilled a fast moving personality. We always loved seeing her at reunions--thank you, Jerry- and receiving her notes about our classmates. Her joy in her family and grandkids was clear to all. I am so sorry she is gone from us. She will be missed. May her family be comforted with many wonderful memories that bring smiles.*

Angelyn Wishnack MacWilliams

Angelyn Wishnack MacWilliams - January 15, 2016 at 05:46 PM

BC

“*Liz and I were friends for years and years - first as fellow French majors at Bryn Mawr, then as our class Co-Editors for more years and years. I called her "Co," and she seemed to like that alias. When I visited Washington two or three times a year, Liz, Jerry, and I often had jolly lunches together at their favorite local restaurants like the Cheesecake Factory, where desserts brought us even closer. I will miss her every day. "Bye, CO - see you there." Love, Bonnie Bendon Campbell - BMC 1959*

Benita B. Campbell - January 15, 2016 at 04:47 PM

MF

“ My condolences to all of the Catron family. While I hadn't seen Betty in a while, I have very, very fond memories of spending time with her in Hermosa Beach. Always one of those Moms that took all of the fellas under her wing when she was in town. A good home-cooked meal (which was a rarity those days) was sure to be had when she visited. My prayers go out to and up for the entire family. Love you all and . See you soon. Fleck

Michael "Rowdy" Flecker - January 15, 2016 at 03:20 PM



“ Heavenly Heights Bouquet was purchased for the family of Elizabeth Rennolds Catron.



January 15, 2016 at 09:21 AM



“ Beautiful Whisper was purchased for the family of Elizabeth Rennolds Catron.



January 15, 2016 at 08:31 AM

MF

“ Michael Foley lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth Rennolds Catron



Michael Foley - January 15, 2016 at 06:28 AM

RC

Thanks Coach! Rob

Rob Catron - January 15, 2016 at 07:40 AM

SB

“ *Betty was always enthusiastic and upbeat in everything she did when I worked at Trinity Church. I will pray for her family during this time. I'm sure she will be dearly missed by all.*

Sandy Barczak, Virginia Beach VA

Sandy Barczak - January 15, 2016 at 05:25 AM

MM

“ *Best French Teacher Ever!!!! My thoughts and prayers are with the family.*

Mark Moran (Parkside Middle School Class of 1981)

Mark Moran - January 14, 2016 at 08:18 PM

SK

“ *Jerry and family,
I am so sorry to hear about your loss. Betty was such a great person and always upbeat. I will miss our chats and hearing all about her wonderful children and grandchildren to whom she adored. May she rest in peace.*

Sarah Kelly - January 14, 2016 at 02:36 PM

RC

Thanks Sarah!

Rob Catron - January 15, 2016 at 07:41 AM

WJ

“ Betty and I took a combined group of French students from Parkside and Stonewall Middle Schools in the early 80's to Canada to visit Montreal and Quebec. A wonderful time for the students! We also combined our French clubs for activities throughout the school year. She was always so enthusiastic and willing to try to interest her students. She will be missed!

Wes Jones

Wes Jones - January 14, 2016 at 01:56 PM

AC

“ Adele Clearwater lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth Rennolds Catron



Adele Clearwater - January 14, 2016 at 12:23 PM