



Florence Mary Holden Nelson

January 19, 1931 - October 25, 2021

Florence Mary Holden Nelson born January 19th, 1931, in Amherst, Massachusetts, passed at age 90 in Manassas, Virginia in the comfort of her home on October 25th, 2021. Florence was born in Amherst, Massachusetts to her mother Lillian Williams Holden, and father Henry Raymond Holden, along with siblings Ruth Holden Mackenzie, Edna Holden Parish, and Henry Raymond Holden Jr. Florence is survived by her Husband Robert Lewis Nelson and their 2 children Robert Lewis Nelson Jr. And Hillary Ann Nelson, grandchildren Keely Brock Sigafoo and Skylar Reese Sigafoo as well as numerous Nieces and Nephews. To her beloved grandchildren she was “Nonnie,” and “Babe” to her siblings.

She told many stories of her childhood in Amherst from Sunday church to playing at the lake. Florence had always loved to read since she was young and inspired a love for and many books for her grandchildren. She loved to wear jewelry and passed down beautiful pieces to her daughter and granddaughters, which come from generations of women in her family. She always loved Lilac and Orchids and took time to garden as she had such a love for plants and flowers. Florence’s brother-in-law had played ‘matchmaker’ and introduced Robert and Florence in Norfolk during Robert’s time serving in the Navy. Florence and Robert had written back and forth for 3 months before getting married in 1958 on October 26, celebrating 63 years of marriage this year. Florence and Robert started their family in Bel Air MD before moving to

Manassas, Virginia. They had a few close friends and Debbie, and Jim became the Nelson's neighbors. Florence and Debbie shared an unbreakable bond. Many Friday evenings the couples would share a Friday night pizza. Florence loved babies and animals. Florence and Robert had 4 Schnauzers, Shotzie, Madchen, Maddie, Zoe, and a mix named Mugzi. Florence flourished with beauty and brilliance. We remember her as strong and resilient, with a soul as gorgeous as a flowerbed

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“ *Sending love and comforting hugs. I am so sorry for your loss. Flo was an amazing person with a beautiful soul. I am grateful to have known her. She will forever be in our hearts.* ”

Valerie Heflin - October 30, 2021 at 10:18 AM

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“ *Flo and I were good friends for 33 years. I will miss her so much. I have a guardian angel now.* ”

Debbie Harvey - October 29, 2021 at 05:11 PM