



## Joanne Marie Mallory

January 23, 1934 - December 28, 2024

Joanne was born in 1934 to Ruth and James Wright and raised in Dunkirk, NY. Being used to the cold and winds off Lake Erie, she never wore more than a jacket since she moved to DC in her twenties.

She had a long career in personnel management at the Central Intelligence Agency where she met the love of her life, W. Dean Mallory. They married and, in 1963, settled in at Berea Court in Dunn Loring where they adopted and raised both a son and a daughter and countless neighbors became life-long friends.

She cared for her mother until her death in 1977 and was by Dean's side for many years as he battled diabetes, blindness and more until he passed in 1979.

Joanne moved forward as a single mother and provided a wonderful life for her kids, returned to the workplace, successfully battled cancer three times, got a new hip and a couple of new knees and eventually retired and moved to Manassas to be close to family. She never lost her love of life, feisty nature or sense of humor.

In addition to her husband, Dean, she is predeceased by her beloved brother, James (Jimmy).

Joanne loved travel, theater, a good Old Fashioned, a day at Hillwood, road trips home to western NY, coffee with Donna, a slot machine when it was "hot", her bridge ladies, Redskins, Buffalo Bills, NY Yankees, Andy Griffith, Neil Diamond and chicken paraphernalia of all sorts.

But she loved family more than anything - she was an amazing mother (and mother-in-law) to David Mallory (Dennis Coyle) and Sharon Mallory Leonard (Mark Leonard), grandmother to William Brown (Molly), Ryan Brown (Lara), and Mallory Leonard, great grandmother to David and Henry Brown and aunt to Lindy and Madeline.

Per her wishes, Joanne was cremated under the loving care of Pierce Funeral Home and will be reunited with Dean at Fairfax Memorial Park on a future date with a Celebration of Life to follow.

She will be forever in our hearts.

# Tribute Wall

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“ I am so very sorry that Joanne has passed. She was like a second mom to me growing up, and Dave, you've always been one of my closest, dearest friends. To you, Dennis, Sharon, Mark and your families, please accept my deepest condolences.

- Mike Zafonte

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**Mike Zafonte** - January 08, 2025 at 07:45 AM