



Olive Marie Embrey (Hoosier)

April 14, 1946 - May 30, 2026

Olive Marie (Hoosier) Embrey, 80 of Manassas, Virginia, passed away peacefully on May 30, 2026. She was known by most as Marie, but to her grandsons, she was Gigi.

Marie was born on April 14, 1946 in Nokesville, Virginia. She was one of four children born to Wiley and Josie Hoosier, but her parents' only daughter. She was a graduate of Brentsville District High School in. She married her husband, Lawrence Embrey, Jr. on a snowy day in January 1968. After a few different jobs, she landed on her career as a bookkeeper for Dale Lumber Company in Falls Church, Virginia. She was a loyal employee of Dale Lumber for over 40 years before retiring to provide care for her grandsons.

She was a native of Prince William County having grown up in Nokesville, Virginia before settling in Manassas where she and her husband purchased a home on Placid Street. She and her husband raised their daughter there in a close knit neighborhood that felt like family. Together, the neighbors hosted summer cookouts, fireworks, holiday gatherings, and celebrating the milestones of each other's families.

Marie loved being outdoors. Her screened porch was her favorite spot in her home. Camping became a family hobby for many years, which afforded her the opportunity to see several parts of the country. She also enjoyed the time

she spent with her family during summer vacations in Nags Head, NC.

She enjoyed gardening. If you stopped by her home during the summer months, she would have impatiens lovingly planted along the sidewalk leading to her front door. She enjoyed filling her bird feeders and watching the birds. Closest to her heart was the hummingbird.

Marie is survived by her daughter, Julie Embrey Bowman and her husband, Matt; two grandsons, Vincent and Evan Bowman; three nieces and two nephews and their families; and numerous friends who became family. She was preceded in death by her parents Wiley and Josie Hoosier, brothers Benford Lee, James Lehman and Willard Darrell Hoosier, and her husband, Lawrence William Embrey, Jr.

A celebration of life will be held for Marie at 11:00 AM on June 17, 2026, at Pierce Funeral Home Chapel (9609 Center Street, Manassas, Virginia, 20110). Her family will greet family and close friends from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM. Burial will follow at 12:00 PM at Quantico National Cemetery (18424 Joplin Road, Triangle, VA 22172).

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital in Marie's memory as she was a faithful supporter for many years.

Cemetery Details

Quantico National Cemetery

18424 Joplin Road
Triangle, VA 22172

Upcoming Events

Visitation

JUN 17. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Pierce Funeral Home
9609 Center St.
Manassas, VA 20110
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Celebration of Life

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Burial

JUN 17. 12:30 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“*Marie and I were friends since we were little kids, but as we got older, married and moved in different directions, we grew apart but not in heart. We both went to Nokesville Gospel Chapel as did our parents. Marie was always smiling and laughing. She was just a positive person. My deepest condolences to Julie and family.*”

Helen Ackerman - 11 minutes ago