



## Alice Van Schaik Cook

December 13, 1930 - May 25, 2023

Alice Cornelia Van Schaik Cook, of Centreville, MD, passed away peacefully on May 25, 2023. She lived a long and full life to the age of 92.

She was born December 13, 1930, in Wayne, NJ. Alice was the daughter of the late Leonard and Margaret Van Schaik. She moved with her family to Preston, MD, in 1942, at the age of 12. She graduated from Preston High School in 1948 and from the Easton Memorial School of Nursing in 1951. Alice was a Registered Nurse and enjoyed a long career as an RN. She worked for the Easton Memorial Hospital for many years, and later for the Queen Anne's County Health Department from 1979 until she retired in 1996. She was very close to her nursing friends, colleagues, and former alumni. She continued to help plan the Easton Memorial School of Nursing reunions until she was 87, and very much enjoyed those relationships.

Alice was especially close to her family. Family and close friends are what Alice valued most in life. She grew up in a tight-knit family and was predeceased by her three siblings, Gerard Van Schaik, Lenora V. McElhany, and Mildred V. Fluharty. Her parents, cousins, and immediate family were all Dutch, as her parents moved from the Netherlands to the U.S. as young children. She grew up surrounded by siblings and cousins. She was married in 1957 to the late William Henry Cook, Jr., from Queen Anne's County.

Alice is survived by her two daughters, Linda Ann Cook Wallace (Chuck) and Lisa Ellen Cook Ratnavale. She is also survived by her five grandchildren, Allison Emily Wallace, Gabrielle Elizabeth Wallace, Jillian Louise Ratnavale, Anna Karin Katherine Ratnavale, and William Edward Ratnavale.

Alice was a kind woman with a huge heart. She loved to connect to other people and enjoyed laughing and sharing stories. Anyone that knew Alice well, will always remember her contagious laugh. She was very happy living in a small town and thoroughly enjoyed knowing her neighbors.

A visitation has been scheduled on Thursday, June 1 from 10-11 a.m., and funeral services will follow at 11 a.m. at the Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home, P.A. in Centreville. A burial will follow at Woodlawn Memorial Park Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to the Compass Regional Hospice of Centreville, MD, the American Cancer Society, or a charity of your choice.

# Cemetery Details

## Woodlawn Memorial Park

11365 Ocean Gateway  
Easton, MD 21601

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 1. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home, P.A.  
408 S. Liberty Street  
Centreville, MD 21617

## Funeral Service

JUN 1. 11:00 AM (ET)

Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home, P.A.  
408 S. Liberty Street  
Centreville, MD 21617

# Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Alice Van Schaik Cook*



**Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home** - June 01, 2023 at 08:38 AM



“ *Alice Van Schaik Cook*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Sara Beth Quinn lit a candle in memory of Alice Van Schaik Cook*



**Sara Beth Quinn** - June 02, 2023 at 05:57 PM



“ *I am so sorry to hear about Alice, she was a lovely lady and wonderful nurse. Our prayers to all of her friends and family.*



**Mary Lou Christian** - May 31, 2023 at 08:24 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Alice Van Schaik Cook.*



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May 30, 2023 at 08:33 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Alice Van Schaik Cook.

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May 30, 2023 at 08:33 PM



“ *Carol Callaway lit a candle in memory of Alice Van Schaik Cook*



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**Carol Callaway** - May 30, 2023 at 06:26 PM



“ *Cindy Englebach Callahan lit a candle in memory of Alice Van Schaik Cook*



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**Cindy Englebach Callahan** - May 27, 2023 at 11:53 PM

AW

“ Agnes Wilhelm lit a candle in memory of Alice Van Schaik Cook



Agnes Wilhelm - May 27, 2023 at 09:38 PM



“ Sara Jane Davidson lit a candle in memory of Alice Van Schaik Cook



Sara Jane Davidson - May 27, 2023 at 07:11 PM

ND

“ What a wonderful life Alice has led. She loved her family, her girls. And all her neighbors very much. She had a wonderful laugh. She was a good friend to all.



Norma Dean - May 27, 2023 at 09:19 AM

TM

“ Tina Mayr lit a candle in memory of Alice Van Schaik Cook



Tina Mayr - May 27, 2023 at 05:57 AM

BN

“ *Barbara K Nelson lit a candle in memory of Alice Van Schaik Cook*



Barbara k Nelson - May 26, 2023 at 09:57 PM

GP

“ *Gene & Lynda Palmatary sent a virtual gift in memory of Alice Van Schaik Cook*



Gene & Lynda Palmatary - May 26, 2023 at 06:20 PM

GP

*To the family: Prayers and blessings to you during the loss of Alice. She was a great nurse and loved taking care of her patients. She went to our church in Centreville and was always willing to bake or donate items for our bakes, funeral luncheons or dinners. She will be missed by many. RIP dear friend. God Bless, Gene and Lynda Palmatary, Centreville.*

Gene A. Palmatary - May 26, 2023 at 06:22 PM

RJ

“ *Ronnie And Rhonda Jewell lit a candle in memory of Alice Van Schaik Cook*



Ronnie and Rhonda Jewell - May 26, 2023 at 04:34 PM

MK

“ *Enjoyed working with Alice and admired her dedication to her clients and families. She was so happy to see her girls have beautiful families and adored her grandchildren. Thoughts and prayers to her family during this sad time.*

*Margaret C Kaufman*

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**Margaret C Kaufman** - May 26, 2023 at 03:30 PM

BY

“ *Bill Jane Young lit a candle in memory of Alice Van Schaik Cook*



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**Bill Jane Young** - May 26, 2023 at 03:06 PM

AS

*Alice was a wonderful lady with an infectious laugh and great smile!  
She was a friend  
Prayers of healing for Lisa and Linda*

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**april sharp** - June 02, 2023 at 11:18 AM

LW

“ *I always enjoyed and have missed, running into Aunt Alice in the grocery store and catching up. Love and prayers to the family.*



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**Libby Walls** - May 26, 2023 at 02:57 PM