



Arlene Sue Bickel

April 7, 1945 - October 7, 2017

On Saturday, September 30, 2017, Arlene Bickel of Oxford, MD, passed away in her sleep at Bayleigh Chase in Easton, MD. She was born in 1945 to Margaret Freida (Wuestner) and Frederick Thomas Bickel, in Philadelphia, PA, and lived there until 1957, when the family moved to Lexington, NC.

After college in North Carolina, Arlene joined Delta Airlines and flew in the U.S. and abroad. She stopped in Sydney, Australia, for a year, taught high school, and soloed back home via cargo/passenger steamers and train through Russia. She worked for the Georgia Dairy Council before entering the University of North Carolina School of Public Health, where she earned an MPH in Nutrition and, later, an AA in fine and studio arts from Montgomery College.

Arlene moved to Alexandria, VA, in 1975 and Montgomery County, MD in 1977. She taught at the University of Maryland-College Park, was the chief nutritionist for the Job Corps and the National High Blood Pressure Education Program of the National Institutes for Health, and other U.S. health programs. Moving to Oxford in 1993, she headed the Wellness for Women program for breast and cervical cancer at Shore Health in Easton.

Active in volunteering, Arlene was among the founders of the Paint the Town program in Kensington, MD, and the Oxford Day 10k Run. She painted sets

for the Tred Avon Players and worked with children and parents/guardians in the Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) organization in Easton. Arlene's true loves were her family, painting, discovering old houses, and interior design.

Arlene is survived by daughter, Daphne Clyburn and her husband Michael MacEwen of Silver Spring; husband, Steve Clyburn of Oxford; and brother, Fred Bickel, Jr., of Lake Wylie, SC. She is predeceased by her parents and sister, Marilyn Echols.

There will be a celebration of life for Arlene at 1 p.m. Saturday, October 28 at the Church of the Holy Trinity in Oxford, followed by a reception in the church hall. In lieu of flowers, please donate in Arlene's name to Talbot County Hospice or the Oxford Community Center.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

OCT 28. 1:00 PM (ET)

Church of the Holy Trinity
502 S. Morris St.
Oxford, MD

Tribute Wall



“ *Arlene Sue Bickel*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Arlene Sue Bickel*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Arlene Sue Bickel*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *Arlene and I were friends during our school years. She and I took a wonderful cruise to Bermuda after graduating from high school. What a fun trip we had together. I also enjoyed our times at her home. Her Mom and Dad were so sweet. Arlene lived a very interesting life and will certainly be missed by friend and of course her family. My thoughts and prayers are with her special family.*

Nancy Costner Kugel - October 16, 2017 at 06:12 PM

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“ So sorry to hear of Arlene's passing. She was a wonderful friend throughout high school and for all these many years. Arlene was a bridesmaid in my wedding in 1965. After his death (James Young) in 1993 I remarried in 1995 (Tom Ullman) and Arlene sent us as a wedding present... a beautiful hand painted memory of our wedding date which still hangs in my home.



On a visit to Lexington Arlene come over to High Point to have lunch with me and I met her beautiful daughter, Daphne. A very special visit. Arlene has not been able to come to any of our high school reunions but I continued to send Christmas cards each year so she could keep up with my family. I am so sorry for your family's loss. Bless you all.

Carol Michael Young - "Mickle"

Carol Michael Young - October 16, 2017 at 11:53 AM

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“ Arlene was my neighbor in Lexington and we attended Lexington High School. I had lost track of her through the years and enjoyed reading about her fascinating career. She was a very special, giving person whose vision enhanced the lives of so many people.

Deepest sympathy to her family.

Betty McMillan Gregory

Betty Gregory - October 16, 2017 at 12:12 AM

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“ *A beautiful, lovey lady. May you be at rest now. I'll always remember those big eyes and the seeing the times your husband would read to you as you looked out the window at Bailey Chase.*

*Sincerely,
Ellen Cooper
A past worker at Bailey Chase*

Ellen Cooper - October 13, 2017 at 01:05 PM