



## Gayle Peterson

March 30, 1941 - January 9, 2022

Gayle Peterson of Centreville, MD, passed away on January 9, 2022, at Corsica Hills Nursing Home. She was 80 years old.

Born on March 30, 1941, in Crisfield, MD, she was the daughter of the late John and Myrtle Matthews. As a young girl, she lived in several North Carolina cities before her family moved to Centreville, which she would call home for most of her life.

Gayle graduated from Centreville High School in 1959. She then briefly attended Sinai School of Nursing before entering the service industry. She was a bartender at Fisherman's Inn restaurant for nearly 40 years, but she was perhaps best known through her sales work with Home Interior, which she started in the late 1970's. Later, she worked at Talbot's and Brooks Brothers in the Queenstown Outlets. Through all these jobs, she met many lifelong friends.

Always appreciative of beauty, Gayle enjoyed tending to her flower gardens and interior decorating. She also enjoyed reading books and talking on the phone with friends, mostly about the activities of her grandchildren. Most of all, she loved spending time with her family, to whom she was totally devoted. To know Gayle was to love Gayle. She will be well remembered for her vibrant personality, humor, and kindness.

Gayle is survived by her son and daughter-in-law, Scott and Lisa Middleton of Centreville, MD; grandchildren Grayson Middleton and Jordan Middleton; and many friends. She was predeceased by her husband, Eric "Rick" Peterson, in 2013.

A visitation will be held on January 17, 2022, from 11am to 1pm at the Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home, P.A. in Centreville, MD, where a memorial service will begin at 1 pm.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 17. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Centreville Location  
408 South Liberty Street  
Centreville, MD 21617  
(410) 758-1151  
[info@fhfuneralhome.com](mailto:info@fhfuneralhome.com)

## Memorial Service

JAN 17. 1:00 PM (ET)

Centreville Location  
408 South Liberty Street  
Centreville, MD 21617  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Gayle Peterson*



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**Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home** - January 14, 2022 at 01:01 PM



“ *Gayle Peterson*

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October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Gayle Peterson*

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January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Gayle Peterson*

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January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM

DJ

“ *Gayles' Family,  
I am sorry I didn't know the passing of your  
mother. My mother were Home Interior friends  
of your mother and always enjoyed having  
her at our home in Millington, she was just a  
delight where we all enjoyed many laughs together. It was certainly  
a joy to know her!!!!  
May GOD Bless your family,  
With our Deepest Sympathy,  
Donald J Greene Jr. & Joyceann Stanley  
(Gayle's Home Interior forever friends)*



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**Donald J. Greene Jr.** - January 23, 2022 at 05:22 PM



“ *Pat Mihaly-Hodges lit a candle in memory of  
Gayle Peterson*



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**Pat Mihaly-Hodges** - January 19, 2022 at 03:36 PM



“ *Gayle and Eric lived in our neighborhood for many years. Gayle was  
a great "Home Interior lady"!! She was also a good person and I am  
thankful to have known her. God bless her family, my thoughts and  
prayers are with all of you. Pat Hodges*

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**Pat Mihaly-Hodges** - January 19, 2022 at 03:33 PM

DP

“ *Doug Pierson lit a candle in memory of Gayle Peterson*



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**Doug Pierson** - January 18, 2022 at 12:35 PM

DE

“ *Gayle was a blessing during the time of me grieving losing my mother. The love and the care she has shown to me throughout the time we worked together is what got me through. Gayle I miss your spirit and love but I know that to be absent from the body means to be present with the Lord. Sleep on my dear and take your rest,* ❤️🙏❤️



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**Deayna Ewell** - January 17, 2022 at 03:50 PM

DS

“ *Please accept my deepest sympathy. Gayle was such a neat lady. I was a Home Interior customer of hers for many years.*



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**Diane H. Smith** - January 17, 2022 at 03:08 PM

JF

“ *Judi Fleishman lit a candle in memory of Gayle Peterson*



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**Judi Fleishman** - January 17, 2022 at 09:58 AM

JA

“ *Jane Anthony lit a candle in memory of Gayle Peterson*



**Jane Anthony** - January 15, 2022 at 07:01 PM

TF

“ *The Schinault Family purchased the Pretty Pleas e for the family of Gayle Peterson.*



**The Schinault Family** - January 15, 2022 at 03:06 PM

KS

“ *Gayle was such an awesome, friend and neighbor. Always loved when she would walk thru my backdoor with a bottle of wine in hand and we would sit and talk and laugh for hours. Our little dog Angel as she aged loved to go next door and visit with Gayle, she would wander to the backdoor and bark until Gayle would let her in and even though they didn't have dogs, Gayle had a box of treats that she would keep just for Angel. You will be missed my friend.*

**Karen Schinault** - January 15, 2022 at 02:48 PM

LM

*Karen, Gayle thought the world of you and Mike and loved having you as friends and neighbors. Thank you both for being so good to her .*

**Lisa Middleton** - January 16, 2022 at 10:28 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Gayle Peterson.*



January 15, 2022 at 11:13 AM



“ *Lora Robbins lit a candle in memory of Gayle Peterson*



**Lora Robbins** - January 14, 2022 at 10:01 PM



“ *Pink Potpourri Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gayle Peterson.*



January 14, 2022 at 09:52 AM



“ *Paula And Conor Broll lit a candle in memory of Gayle Peterson*



**Paula and Conor Broll** - January 14, 2022 at 06:38 AM

HH

“ *The Handzo Family* ❤️



Heather Handzo - January 13, 2022 at 09:22 PM

PS

“ *Patricia Sutton lit a candle in memory of Gayle Peterson*



Patricia Sutton - January 13, 2022 at 08:28 PM

JC

“ *My thoughts and prayers are the family*



Joyce Ann Coleman - January 13, 2022 at 07:06 PM

LW

“ *Linda Wachowiz sent a virtual gift in memory of Gayle Peterson*



Linda Wachowiz - January 13, 2022 at 06:33 PM

KC

“ Scott, Lisa, Gryson and Jordan, sending my deepest condolences to you and your family. Gayle is one lady I will never, ever forget. She was such a beautiful, wonderful person that would light up a room with her contagious smile and laughter. I haven't seen her for many years, but have thought of her often. Share your precious memories with family and friends to keep her vivacious spirit alive and may these same memories also help comfort you during this difficult time. Please know you're in my thoughts and prayers. Kim Crew



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**Kim Crew** - January 13, 2022 at 11:50 AM

HP

“ Heidi Potter lit a candle in memory of Gayle Peterson



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**Heidi Potter** - January 13, 2022 at 11:22 AM

PE

“ Prayers and peace to Scott, Lisa, and kids.



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**Pam Edwards** - January 13, 2022 at 10:08 AM

LD

“ Lydia Dagenais lit a candle in memory of Gayle Peterson



Lydia Dagenais - January 13, 2022 at 08:16 AM

LS

“ LuAnne Smith lit a candle in memory of Gayle Peterson



LuAnne Smith - January 13, 2022 at 08:00 AM

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DD

“ Debbie Dalymple lit a candle in memory of Gayle Peterson



Debbie Dalymple - January 13, 2022 at 01:00 AM

MF

“ *Marilyn Ford lit a candle in memory of Gayle Peterson*



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**Marilyn Ford** - January 12, 2022 at 11:47 PM

DT

“ *Gayle was a beautiful person to be around. She had a great smile.*

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**Dolly Starkey Taylor** - January 12, 2022 at 11:06 PM

JP

“ *Many fond memories of Gayle! Always a smile! Rest In Peace dear friend!!*



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**John & Phyllis Perkins** - January 12, 2022 at 10:05 PM

DW

“ *Dani Woodhurst lit a candle in memory of Gayle Peterson*



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**Dani Woodhurst** - January 12, 2022 at 07:54 PM

NM

“ I remember Gayle when she was in high school back when it was from 7th to 12th grade. She was always a bubbly person and sure loved her family. Prayers for Scott, Lisa, Grayson and Jordan. Aunt Nancy/Uncle Bobby



Nancy Morris - January 12, 2022 at 07:24 PM

LM

Thank you Aunt Nancy

Lisa Middleton - January 16, 2022 at 10:34 AM

NS

“ Nan Severa lit a candle in memory of Gayle Peterson



Nan Severa - January 12, 2022 at 07:15 PM

NS

Gayle was such a sweetheart. I remember working with her at Fisherman's Inn so many years ago..Mom & I are sending prayers to her family

Nan Severa - January 12, 2022 at 07:16 PM

BH

“ Brenda Hahn lit a candle in memory of Gayle Peterson



Brenda Hahn - January 12, 2022 at 07:00 PM

PM

“ *Patsy D. Mock lit a candle in memory of Gayle Peterson*



**Patsy D. Mock** - January 12, 2022 at 06:35 PM

BC

“ *She was such a sweet person Rest peacefully Gayle*



**Bonnie Coleman** - January 12, 2022 at 05:50 PM

DN

“ *Debbie Nickerson lit a candle in memory of Gayle Peterson*



**Debbie Nickerson** - January 12, 2022 at 10:23 AM

DN

*Gayle was such a wonderful person. I loved having her at my home for Home Interior shows and visiting her open houses... I remember how happy I was to find her again at Queenstown Outlets and I am so sorry to hear she has passed. Please know her husband and family meant the world to Gayle, that is my Number 1 memory of her.*

**Debbie Nickerson** - January 12, 2022 at 10:28 AM

LH

“ Lynn Gibbons Higdon lit a candle in memory of Gayle Peterson



Lynn Gibbons Higdon - January 11, 2022 at 09:44 PM

MA

“ Mary, Sewardie & Annie lit a candle in memory of Gayle Peterson



Mary, Sewardie & Annie - January 11, 2022 at 09:22 PM

MM

“ Ms. Gayle was such a sweet and kind lady who knew how to host a fun Home Interior party to everyone who attended her shows. Her elegance and beauty will never be forgotten.



Marie Myers - January 11, 2022 at 08:25 PM

LM

Thank you for your kind words Mary.

Lisa Middleton - January 16, 2022 at 10:35 AM

MD

“ *Gayle always had a smile. I have known her many years. She will be missed. Prayers to the family!* ”



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**Mary Dodd** - January 11, 2022 at 07:11 PM

SW

“ *Gayle will always be remembered for her contagious smile and great sense of humor. Prayers to the family.* ”



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**Sue Cook Wolff** - January 11, 2022 at 04:12 PM

GP

“ *Gina Weston Paul lit a candle in memory of Gayle Peterson* ”



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**Gina Weston Paul** - January 11, 2022 at 03:57 PM

KC

“ *Gayle was always smiling and very kind to all she knew. She will be missed. Kathy Clark* ”



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**Kathy Clark** - January 11, 2022 at 02:33 PM

CK

“ *Charlene Klabe lit a candle in memory of Gayle Peterson*



Charlene Klabe - January 11, 2022 at 02:13 PM

JY

“ *Gayle did our Home Interior parties. We had alot of fun. Close neighbor and friend.*



June Yeager - January 11, 2022 at 01:44 PM

TF

“ *Tracy And Stacey Schulz And Family lit a candle in memory of Gayle Peterson*



Tracy and Stacey Schulz and Family - January 11, 2022 at 01:05 PM

LP

“ *Lee Phillips lit a candle in memory of Gayle Peterson*



Lee Phillips - January 11, 2022 at 12:39 PM



“ *Sara Jane Davidson lit a candle in memory of Gayle Peterson*



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**Sara Jane Davidson** - January 11, 2022 at 12:17 PM



“ *Junr Clark lit a candle in memory of Gayle Peterson*



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**Junr Clark** - January 11, 2022 at 11:47 AM



“ *Sharon Crew lit a candle in memory of Gayle Peterson*



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**Sharon Crew** - January 11, 2022 at 11:45 AM



“ *Bob And Genevieve Norris sent a virtual gift in memory of Gayle Peterson*



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**Bob and Genevieve Norris** - January 11, 2022 at 10:54 AM

FS

“ Frank And Jarrett Smith lit a candle in memory of Gayle Peterson



Frank and Jarrett Smith - January 11, 2022 at 07:58 AM

CH

“ Cheryl Hurd lit a candle in memory of Gayle Peterson



Cheryl Hurd - January 10, 2022 at 11:18 PM

TF

“ Tim And Esther Blackiston, Foxxtown sent a virtual gift in memory of Gayle Peterson



Tim and Esther Blackiston, Foxxtown - January 10, 2022 at 10:16 PM

GP

“ Gene And Lynda Palmatary sent a virtual gift in memory of Gayle Peterson



Gene and Lynda Palmatary - January 10, 2022 at 10:14 PM

BY

“ *Bill Jane Young lit a candle in memory of  
Gayle Peterson*



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**Bill Jane Young** - January 10, 2022 at 09:46 PM