



## Geraldine Rittenhouse Miller

December 1, 1930 - March 14, 2024

Geraldine “Ditty” Rittenhouse Miller peacefully passed away at home on Thursday, March 14, 2024. She was 93 years old.

Ditty was born on December 1, 1930, in Easton, MD to the late William and Grace Rittenhouse. She graduated from Easton High School in 1948 and then attended Western Maryland College for two years. She enlisted in the U.S. Navy and served from 1950 – 1952 as a corpsman 1st class during the Korean War. During that time, she met the love of her life, David Lee Miller. They were married for 62 years until his passing in 2013.

Ditty also worked as a nursing assistant at the Memorial Hospital at Easton from 1971 until her retirement in 1995. She was a charter member of St. Mark’s United Methodist Church in Easton.

Ditty always loved to shop, but more than anything, she loved spending time with her family and friends.

Ditty is survived by one son, David L. Miller Jr. of Federalsburg; six daughters, Karen Cunningham and her husband Ashley of Burlington, ME, Sharon Miller of Easton, Lynn Kline of Easton, Janet Miller of Federalsburg, Pam Patrick and her husband Jeffrey of Easton, Cindy Martinson and her husband Lee of Queen Anne; fourteen grandchildren Paula Bayliss, Haleigh Miller, Mindy

Palmer, Lindsey Farinholt, Garver Cheesman, Joe Dobson, Kristen Burkhardt, Samantha Patrick, Ashlei Patrick, Jeffrey Patrick Jr., Dylan Patrick, Jennifer Chavis, Philip Kirwan III, Morgan Smithmyer, and their families, including 24 great-grandchildren and 4 great-great grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

A memorial service celebrating her life will be held on Wednesday, March 20, 2024 at 1 pm at Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home. The visitation will be two hours prior from 11 am – 1 pm.

She will be laid to rest with her husband at a private service at the Maryland Eastern Shore Veterans Cemetery at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Talbot Hospice Foundation, 586 Cynwood Drive, Easton, MD 21601 or a charity of your choice.

# Cemetery Details

## Hurlock Maryland VA Cemetery

6828 East New Market  
Hurlock, MD

# Previous Events

## Memorial Visitation

MAR 20. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home  
200 S. Harrison Street  
EASTON  
EASTON, MD 21601

## Memorial Service

MAR 20. 1:00 PM (ET)

Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home  
200 S. Harrison Street  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Geraldine Rittenhouse Miller*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - March 20, 2024 at 09:24 AM

DC

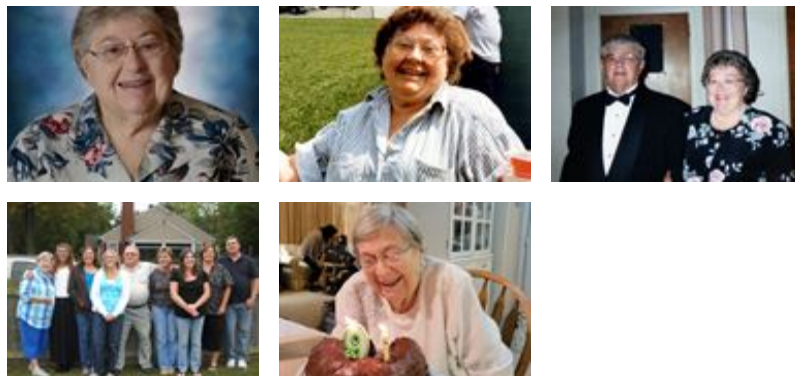
“ *We are so sorry to read of Ditty's passing and even sorrier that we weren't aware in time to attend her service. Our sincerest sympathies to all the Miller children and their families. Ditty was such a lovely lady. Always fun loving and smiling. She and Mom were quite the pair!!*



David and Barb Callahan - March 25, 2024 at 06:09 PM



“ *104 files added to the album LifeTributes*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - March 19, 2024 at 04:35 PM

AS

“ Amanda, Hannah, Danielle, Carly, Sydney purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Geraldine Rittenhouse Miller.



Amanda, Hannah, Danielle, Carly, Sydney - March 19, 2024 at 09:48 AM

BG

“ Bob Kline, Bill, Donna & Cassidy Grather purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Geraldine Rittenhouse Miller.



Bob Kline, Bill, Donna & Cassidy Grather - March 18, 2024 at 10:36 AM

VW

“ Valerie Dobson Wheatley lit a candle in memory of Geraldine Rittenhouse Miller



Valerie Dobson Wheatley - March 17, 2024 at 10:36 AM

LF

“ Prayers for you Cindy and your family as you grieve the loss of your precious Mom.



Lorrie Foy - March 16, 2024 at 10:34 PM

SL

“ *The "door" was always open and there was always room for one more (unexpected) at the dinner table. She was a sweet and wonderful lady!*

**Sandi Walbert Lawryk** - March 16, 2024 at 03:04 PM

SH

“ *Sonja Hanssen-Carter lit a candle in memory of Geraldine Rittenhouse Miller*



**Sonja Hanssen-Carter** - March 16, 2024 at 12:15 PM

VJ

“ *Vicky And Bart Johnson lit a candle in memory of Geraldine Rittenhouse Miller*



**Vicky and Bart Johnson** - March 16, 2024 at 10:35 AM

JM

“ *Joy Murray lit a candle in memory of Geraldine Rittenhouse Miller*



**Joy Murray** - March 16, 2024 at 10:20 AM

LW

“ Larry And Lynne Wilkins sent a virtual gift in memory of Geraldine Rittenhouse Miller



Larry and Lynne Wilkins - March 16, 2024 at 09:57 AM

MF

“ Margie Freeman lit a candle in memory of Geraldine Rittenhouse Miller



Margie Freeman - March 16, 2024 at 09:56 AM

GL

“ Ditty and I spent many night shifts together at the hospital in the 80's. Rest easy Ditty....the world has lost a wonderful person. My deepest sympathy to the family.



Georgianna LeCompte - March 16, 2024 at 09:22 AM

SO

“ Sol lit a candle in memory of Geraldine Rittenhouse Miller



Sol - March 15, 2024 at 09:23 PM

PB

“ *Paula Healy Broll lit a candle in memory of Geraldine Rittenhouse Miller*



Paula Healy Broll - March 15, 2024 at 09:04 PM

DT

“ *Dolly Starkey Taylor lit a candle in memory of Geraldine Rittenhouse Miller*



Dolly Starkey Taylor - March 15, 2024 at 08:43 PM

DT

*Sorry for your family's loss Cindy and Paula.*

Dolly Starkey Taylor - March 15, 2024 at 08:45 PM

JC

“ *Jay and Sharon Clow planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Geraldine Rittenhouse Miller.*

Jay and Sharon Clow - March 15, 2024 at 08:34 PM

JC

“ *Jay and Sharon Clow purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Geraldine Rittenhouse Miller.*



Jay and Sharon Clow - March 15, 2024 at 08:34 PM

CS

“ *Connie Harris Sypniewski lit a candle in memory of Geraldine Rittenhouse Miller*



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**Connie Harris Sypniewski** - March 15, 2024 at 06:57 PM