



## Jean Robinson Child

January 19, 1928 - September 26, 2012

Jean Robinson Child of St. Michaels, MD, died peacefully Wednesday night at the age 84 after a brief illness. She was born and grew up in the Town of Winchester, VA, and attended Handley High School during World War II. She attended Stephens College in Missouri for two years before completing her Bachelor's Degree in Home Economics from the University of Maryland in 1950. She joined the Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority where she developed friendships that lasted the rest of her life. There she met her future husband, Godfrey Byrd Child, and they were married in 1951.

They had a son in 1952, Godfrey, and a daughter, Susan, in 1954. In 1957, they moved to Frederick, MD. While in Frederick, Jean got what would be the first of six Siamese and Tonkinese cats. A year later they moved to Towson, MD, before moving once again to Timonium in 1959. Jean worked for several years in retail sales before beginning a career as a travel agent. Over the next seventeen years she and her husband Godfrey traveled the world over. Her favorite trips were cruises and tours such as Abercrombie and Kent.

She worked and obtained her CTC certification for professional purposes. She was a member of the Virginia Women of Maryland and the Towson Presbyterian Church. Jean and Godfrey bought a run-down home on the Eastern shore as a summer home in the village of Wittman, MD, that the family fixed up over a period of years. In 1992, they sold the house in Wittman

and in Timonium, retired and bought their final house in St. Michaels, which they both loved. Godfrey died in 1994, and Jean began a new phase of her life. She worked for many years as a docent in the lighthouse at the St. Michaels Maritime Museum educating tourists about its history and function. She played bridge, began to read non-stop, and gardened. She loved musicals, old movies, and music from the 1940's. She became a member of the Easton Presbyterian Church.

Jean loved the changing seasons and the migration of waterfowl over the Chesapeake Bay. With a yard full of Canadian Geese, she would always quip she was glad to see them come in October and glad to see them leave in March. In 2011, with health problems, she began residency at William Hill Manor where she still played bridge and continued to read. She is survived by a son, Godfrey; a daughter, Susan; a sister, Dorothy Ann Robinson of Winchester, VA; and one very beloved cat.

A graveside service will be held on Tuesday, October 2, 2012, at 11:00 AM at Oxford Cemetery in Oxford. MD.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Talbot County Free Library, 100 West Dover St., Easton, MD 21601 .

# Cemetery Details

## Oxford Cemetery

Oxford, MD

# Previous Events

## Service

OCT 2. 11:00 AM (ET)

Oxford Cemetery  
Oxford, MD

# Tribute Wall



“ *Jean Robinson Child*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Jean Robinson Child*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Jean Robinson Child*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *Dear Bud and Susie,*

*I am very sorry for your loss. Everyone at 208 Talbot loved your Mom. She was a special lady and I always enjoyed talking to her. We even exchanged books and book reviews occassionally. I haven't seen her since we closed the restaurant, but I was told that she still would come in from time to time! She will be missed, I'm sure!*

*Candi Chiaruttini  
St. Michaels*

**Candi Chiaruttini** - October 16, 2012 at 10:23 AM

SB

“ We will sorely miss Jean at the St.Michaels Library. She had become our friend. We would many times save books for her even after she moved to William Hill. Ted and I delivered books to her and would often stay for a visit. She was a warm and lovely lady and it was a pleasure to get to know her. My deep sympathy goes out to Bud, Susie and all of her family.

Sincerely

Shauna Beulah

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**Shauna Beulah** - October 01, 2012 at 07:44 PM

MD

“ I will always remember Jean's lovely smile as she opened the door for us every Wednesday morning. She would look at us and say "It must be Wednesday". I would say "If you had your hair done, it is". She would chuckle and invite Tootsie and I into her lovely apartment. Tootsie would sit with her head on Jean's lap and she would pet her and chat to her and I. She was such a Special Lady. We will miss her.

Marie Dempsey and Tootsie - Pets on Wheels

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**Marie H. Dempsey** - October 01, 2012 at 08:01 AM

BT

Jean was such a lovely lady. She was so nice and gracious to work with at Valley Travel, and she left a void that was hard to fill, as she was so well liked by her clients. She will be missed. Sympathy to Bud and Susie in their loss. Bev Tomlinson

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**Beverly Tomlinson** - October 01, 2012 at 11:15 AM

CW

“ I certainly appreciate Susie and Bud informing me about their mom. Jean and Godfrey were wonderful and fun neighbors to my in-laws and me when we all lived in Timonium. It was Jean's tradition to call on the phone and say, "It's Winky-poo time" which was an invitation to come down and have a cocktail before dinner. Jean remained a good friend to my mother-in-law until her death 8 years ago. Jean and I continued to send Christmas cards to each other throughout the years. I always promised to come visit her at "Child's Play" in St. Michaels but sadly I never got there.  
All the cats in heaven will be happier with Jean there!

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**Cindy Cummings Wheeler** - September 30, 2012 at 07:02 PM



“ I will miss Jean. I always enjoyed seeing her come into the clinic with her cats, whom she loved dearly. She took wonderful care of them and they loved her in return. I know Suki was waiting for her at the Rainbow Bridge and was overjoyed to be with her again. My deepest sympathy to her family and to Saki, who I am sure is grieving..  
Elizabeth Callahan DVM

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**Elizabeth Callahan** - September 30, 2012 at 05:55 PM

RF

“ We are so sorry for your loss. Jean will be watching those canadian geese from her new home in heaven above. You have been in our prayers and thoughts.  
Jerry & Rita Freudenthal & family

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**Rita Freudenthal** - September 30, 2012 at 03:41 PM

DR

“ I am ver sorry for your loss. Although I did not know Jean, I know the deep pain that comes with losing someone you love so dearly. My father passed away just a few weeks ago. I wanted to pass along a word of comfort from God's Word. Psalms 56:8 says "You know how troubled I am; you have kept a record of my tears." May you find comfort and hope in knowing God cares. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

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**Debbie Rich** - September 29, 2012 at 06:55 AM

SD

*Jean was one of the dearest ladies I have ever known. We had so much fun at Valley Travel. She always had that wonderful smile on her dear face and boy did she ever love her Bud and Susie! The miles kept us apart over the last several years, but I thought of her frequently. Thank God her journey home to our Father wasn't a painful one.*

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**Sherry Darney** - September 29, 2012 at 10:03 AM