



## Joan F. Atwell

December 10, 1929 - December 12, 2011

Joan F. Atwell of Love Point died at the Hospice of Queen Anne's, Inc. on Monday, December 12, 2011. She was 82.

Born in Baltimore on December 10, 1929, Joan was the daughter of the late Robert and Elizabeth Doulong Flynn. She grew up in Waterloo, Howard County, MD and graduated from Elkridge High School in 1948, where Joan was her class Valedictorian. In the fall of 1948, Joan began nursing school at Church Home and Hospital in Baltimore and in October 1950, secretly married William Layton Atwell. They renewed their vows with their families present a year later after Joan graduated.

Joan worked at Johns Hopkins Hospital for a year and then, in 1952 began working for a Doctor in general practice while Bill, a Navy Korean War veteran, pursued his college degree. Upon Bill's graduation from the University of Maryland and the birth of their children, Joan became a homemaker but continued to work part-time in the surgical department at Lutheran Hospital. In 1969, the Atwell family moved to their current residence at Love Point.

In 1970, Joan was appointed the Director of Red Cross Swimming in Queen Anne's County, and later in the mid 1970's, worked as a title abstractor for Attorney Charles Smith. Joan enjoyed travelling with Bill to various states

around the country and did so at a minimum of twice a year, in the spring and in the fall. She loved to read suspense novels as well as watch the CBS soaps and cooking shows, first on public television and later on cable TV.

Joan is survived by her husband, William "Bill" Layton Atwell; her son, William "Bill" Layton, Jr. of Stevensville; her daughter, Mary Atwell Butler and her husband, Brandon C. Sr., of Ridgely; her grandchildren, Douglas John Butler (Crystal Henderson) of Ridgely and Brandon "Brad" C. Butler, Jr. (Melissa Dean and her girls, Ashlyn and Izabella) of Greensboro; and her great-grandchildren, Alexander Douglas Butler and Matthew Cole Butler. She was preceded in death by her half-sister, Marie Doulong James.

A memorial service will be held at a later date.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Queen Anne's, Inc., 255 Comet Drive, Centreville, MD 21617.

Funeral arrangements by Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home, P.A. in Chester.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Joan F. Atwell*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Joan F. Atwell*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Joan F. Atwell*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *Ruthie Baker lit a candle in memory of Joan F. Atwell*



**Ruthie Baker** - December 29, 2011 at 10:40 AM



*Dear Mary & Billy...So sorry for the loss of your mom. Hope you guys are doing ok. Holding you close in prayer.*

**Ruthie Baker** - December 29, 2011 at 10:49 AM