



Joan Lynne Dalrymple Rafter

May 15, 1944 - October 22, 2014

Joan Dalrymple Rafter died on October 22, 2014, at Mercy Medical Center in Baltimore, MD. She was 70.

Born on May 15, 1944, in Orange, NJ, to the late Henry C. and Dagny Dalrymple, Joan grew up in the Bay Ridge area of Annapolis, MD. She graduated from Annapolis High School and attended the University of Vermont. After returning to Maryland, she began her career with the State of Maryland with Dept. of Natural Resources. After 25 years, she retired as the assistant to the superintendent of DNR police. She would then work in real estate and with the MD State Legislature, eventually becoming a proof reader for state legislation until she retired in 2006. That year she married Roy W. Rafter who predeceased her.

Joan enjoyed her dog "Nellie," spending summers at the family cottage on Lake Champlain in Vermont and of course the Chesapeake Bay. She was a member of Shore Christian Fellowship.

She is survived by her stepsons Ron Rafter (Debbie); Roy Rafter, Sr. (Christa); stepdaughter, Trisha Benson (John); sister, Joyce Essex (Ken H.); 14 grandchildren; 28 great-grandchildren; and 22 great-great- grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held on November 1, 2014, at 11 a.m. at Fellows,

Helpfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home, P.A. in Chester, MD, followed by interment at Stevensville Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to ARF, P.O. Box 396, Chester, MD 21619.

Cemetery Details

Stevensville Cemetery

808 Main Street
Stevensville, MD

Previous Events

Memorial Service

NOV 1. 11:00 AM (ET)

Chester Location / Kent Island
106 Shamrock Road
Chester, MD 21619
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Tribute Wall



“ *Joan Lynne Dalrymple Rafter*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Joan Lynne Dalrymple Rafter*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Joan Lynne Dalrymple Rafter*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *I remember Joan very well as a co-worker at Maryland State Legislative Services. I was new and people like her is why I valued the experience of working there. She was so sweet and so kind that I can't forget her. I missed her when she retired, and I certainly miss her now. May she rest in peace.*
Alan Newman

Alan Newman - October 27, 2014 at 02:03 PM



“ *Lisa Turner lit a candle in memory of Joan Lynne Dalrymple Rafter*



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