



## Joni Marie Sams

September 10, 1945 - September 18, 2024

Kent Island socialite, Joni Marie Sams passed away on September 18th, 2024 surrounded by her family. Born in Augusta, Georgia September 10, 1945 moving shortly thereafter to Florida where most of her childhood memories were from. She was a very proud Navy wife and enjoyed the traveling that came with it. Her most loved hobby was Bowling and she excelled at it for decades. She coached in her later years and made a lifetime of friends from the Bowling communities she was a member of. Midlife was her Horse phase in Virginia, while fun, they are a lot of work so the farm was sold once her nest was empty. In her later years she moved to Florida and had a short stint in North Carolina, Maryland was not her first choice but once she made the move to Kent Island she knew she was HOME and LOVED where she lived. Most recently Joni was known for her work at The "O" Coastal style Boutique located on the Kent Narrows. It was her favorite job and she so loved her regulars that would come in only when they knew she was working. Joni's honesty in her work made her a great sales person, her quick wit, generosity and genuine smile made her the best friend. If asked she would say her greatest accomplishment were her girls Joey, Robyn & Julie. Her girls gave her a membership to the Kent Island Yacht Club for a birthday present after she stopped bowling and the yacht club community took her in and made her their own! Her best days were volunteering during events and dressing up to play the part of whatever event was themed. Joni was loved by all who had the privilege of knowing her, she was always up for lunch or dinner at her

favorite spots on shore and of course tagging herself there on Facebook! She loved her life on Kent Island and will be missed by so many! She believed with certainty that we will all meet again. Death is not the end but a continuation of our journey, so this is not goodbye, but until we meet again! Joni is survived by her brother, Julian Deal, Julie, Bobby & Robbie Cary of Romancoke Md, Robyn & Bruce Noble of the Villages Fla, Brenda & Joey Sams of Va Beach. Grandchildren Orië Morgan & Daniel Colbert. Preceded by Zachary & Dustin Jones. A Celebration of life will be held 2-4 on November 16th at the Kent Island Yacht Club:117 Yacht Club Drive Chester Md 21619

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

NOV **16**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Kent Island Yacht Club  
117 Yacht Club Drive  
Chester, MD

# Tribute Wall

CM

“ *Joni was my mom and the love of my dad's life..I will forever love her and miss her* ❤️

Christina Mincey - December 04, 2024 at 02:17 PM

SB

“ *I am so sorry to hear ... she was a dear lady, lived and loved to the fullest. Many wonderful memories of bowling with her. Rest in peace Joni.*

Sandie Brown - November 17, 2024 at 07:12 PM

AS

“ *Have so many memories, here in Virginia. She gave me one of the best, Satin, her beloved quarter horse. When they left Virginia, and I now live in the home they owned, I see Joni all around. What a blessing she was. Love to the family* ❤️

April Shifflett - October 08, 2024 at 07:48 PM

LO

“ *May you rest in peace. Our condolences to you all. She was one of a kind. She was always kind to us. So full of life and always had a smile for everyone.*

*Love  
Fred & Louie*

Luis Ornelas - October 08, 2024 at 07:19 AM

JP

*Sincere condolences to Joni's beloved girls. Joni was one of a kind and will be missed by many. Rest easy sweet lady; we won't forget you.* 🙏❤️

Jan Proctor - October 09, 2024 at 02:28 PM