



Marie Earle Rypka

November 10, 1919 - September 5, 2014

Marie Earle Rypka of Chestertown, MD, died on Friday, September 5 at University of Maryland Shore Medical Center at Chestertown. She was 94.

She was born in Lake Hurst, NJ, on November 10, 1919, the only child of the late George and Helen Dunham Earle. Following graduation from East Orange High School, she attended Mills College in New York City and earned a degree in Early Childhood Education from Rowan University.

She was married to Paul Nelson who predeceased her in 1972; she then remarried to Donald Rypka on November 29, 1980.

Mrs. Rypka worked as a preschool teacher with the Moorestown School System in New Jersey for 20 years. She loved to teach. In 1989, she and her husband moved to Chestertown, MD.

She was active with the Women's League of Washington College where she served as President and was instrumental in establishing the Helen Gibson Scholarship Fund. Mrs. Rypka was actively involved in establishing the Kitty Clements Nursing Scholarship as a member and past president of the hospital auxiliary. She was also a member of the Questers, Cadwalader of Kent and the Chestertown Literary Club, as well as Emmanuel Episcopal Church.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by her children, Deborah Nelson Stevens of NJ, John Nelson of PA, Ginny Rypka Gartrell of VA, and William H. Rypka of MA, along with six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Services will be held on Friday, September 12, at 11 a.m. at Emmanuel Episcopal Church, Chestertown, MD. In lieu of flowers contributions may be made to Kitty Clements Scholarship Fund, 100 Brown Street, Chestertown, MD 21620 or The Helen Gibson Scholarship at Washington College, 300 Washington Avenue, Chestertown, MD 21620 or the Music Fund at Emmanuel Episcopal Church, 101 N. Cross St., Chestertown, MD 21620.

Previous Events

Service

SEP **12.** 11:00 AM (ET)

Emmanuel Episcopal Church
101 N. Cross St.
Chestertown, MD

Tribute Wall



“ *Marie Earle Rypka* ”

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Marie Earle Rypka* ”

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Marie Earle Rypka* ”

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *Max & Maryann Ruehrmund lit a candle in memory of Marie Earle Rypka* ”



Max & Maryann Ruehrmund - September 12, 2014 at 11:48 AM



“ *Debbie Pippin lit a candle in memory of Marie Earle Rypka* ”



Debbie Pippin - September 09, 2014 at 12:48 PM

EP

“ *Eileen Paradise lit a candle in memory of Marie Earle Rypka*



Eileen Paradise - September 09, 2014 at 11:18 AM

TF

“ *Tori Fano lit a candle in memory of Marie Earle Rypka*



Tori Fano - September 09, 2014 at 06:13 AM

MU

“ *Marie Usilton lit a candle in memory of Marie Earle Rypka*



Marie Usilton - September 08, 2014 at 05:10 PM

TT

“ *Trish Taylor lit a candle in memory of Marie Earle Rypka*



Trish Taylor - September 06, 2014 at 03:29 PM