



## Nancy Critchlow Benitez

September 11, 1922 - April 26, 2011

Nancy Shannon Critchlow Benitez died Tuesday, April 26, 2011. She was 88.

Born in Detroit, Michigan September 11, 1922, she was the daughter of the late John and Margaret Evans Critchlow. She attended schools in St. Michaels and Easton was a 1941 graduate of the Baldwin School, Bryn Mawr, PA where she was the only non-professional singer of the Church of the Redeemer choir. She also attended Wheaton College, MA where she was a member of the Tritons, a precision swim team, and the Drama Club. Three months before graduation, her fiancé, Lt. Cdr. Rafael Benitez returned from 17 months at sea in the Pacific. Nancy then withdrew from Wheaton, and they married March 17, 1945 in a glorious St. Patrick's Day celebration.

She was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother and friend. She was a gifted water colorist, sculptor, musician and gracious hostess. She volunteered throughout her life for Recording For The Blind and Talbot Hospice. She was a member of Christ Church in Easton and the Harbor Club, Easton, Maryland. She had a zest for life and a joyful spirit.

She is survived by her children: Cristina Benitez, Peg Evans and John Benitez; grandsons: Todd Turner, Banks Benitez and Ryan Benitez; and brother, Roger Critchlow. She was preceded in death by her husband, R. Adm. Rafael Benitez, USN, Ret., who died in 1999, her brother, John N.

Critchlow, Jr. and sister, Jean Beatty.

A memorial service will be held 11:00 a.m. Saturday, April 30, 2011 at Christ Episcopal Church in Easton.

Memorial contributions may be made to Critchlow Adkins Children's Centers, Christ Church Easton, MD or the Talbot Hospice Foundation.

Arrangements by Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home, P.A. in Easton.

# Previous Events

## Service

APR **30**. 10:00 AM.

Graveside

# Tribute Wall



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October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Nancy Critchlow Benitez*

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January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Nancy Critchlow Benitez*

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January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *To the Benitez Family: I am a neighbor of yours who read about the loss in your family in the obituary today, and I am truly sorry, I would like to share a scripture found in Gods Word the bible to bring your household much needed peace, found at 2 Corinthians 1:3,4 which reads: Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of tender mercies and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort those in any sort of tribulation through the comfort with which we ourselves are being comforted by God. I pray this scripture brings much needed peace, my sincere condolences.##imported-begin##Christine Jackson##imported-end##*

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“ Please accept my condolences to the family during this difficult time, I am sorry for your loss. Revelation 21:3,4 holds out a comforting hope.##imported-begin##r gray##imported-end##

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“ My heart and those of the other members of my family, specifically, Yaacob, Shahar, Jasmin, Suffian and Fateh bleed when we received the most distressing news moments ago that our very dear Mrs. Nancy Benitez is no longer with us. We are truly depressed and simply cannot find words to express our sorrow but needless to say, we are going to miss her very, very much. I have known Nancy (and her late and equally wonderful husband Rafael Benitez) for almost 40 years since my husband and I were students at the University of Miami. Nancy has now joined her beloved Rafael. They are both no longer with us but their good deeds, their warmth, their friendship and their greatness will continue to live in the hearts of every member of my family.##imported-begin##Tunku Sofiah##imported-end##

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