



## Norma Bryan Forrest

February 26, 1931 - August 22, 2021

Norma Bryan Forrest passed away on August 22, 2021, in Orlando, FL. She was 90 years old.

Norma was born on February 26, 1931, in Easton, Maryland, the daughter of the late Norman Reynolds Bryan and Louise Stevens Bryan.

Norma graduated from Easton High School, Class of 1948 and was a lifelong resident of Talbot County. She was a member of the Oxford Methodist Church.

Norma married George "Ben" Forrest Sr. on October 8, 1949, in Church Creek, MD. Ben was a former Talbot County Sheriff and Norma worked alongside Ben in the same office. After retiring from the Sheriff's office, Norma was able to use her vast knowledge of Talbot County and Oxford to educate and entertain guests of both the Robert Morris Inn and Sandaway Suites and Beach.

Mrs. Forrest is survived by her children; Dona Forrest Tillman (David) of Orlando, FL, George "Ben" Forrest Jr. (Suzanne) of Menominee, MI, June Forrest Bowman (Doran) of Orlando, FL, son-in-law Tommy Cottingham; eight grandchildren, Ann, Mary, Jenny, Sarah, Jena, Bryan, William, and John and 15 great-grandchildren. Also survived by her brothers; Donald Kemp Bryan (Peggy) of Kensington, MD and Francis Steven Bryan of Easton, MD and her many nieces and nephews. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in

death by, her husband George “Ben” Forrest Sr., her daughter, Jean Forrest Cottingham (Tommy) and her sister-in-law, Sandra H. Bryan.

Norma was affectionately known as “MyO” to her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She loved them and they loved her. She will be missed by her children, and everyone that knew her. She had her funny wit until the end. She expressed to her daughters, her appreciation of the visits, love, and prayers she had received.

Graveside Services will be held Monday August 30th at 11am in the Oxford Cemetery.

The family requests you use Covid precautions.

## Cemetery Details

### **Oxford Cemetery**

Oxford, MD

## Previous Events

### **Graveside Service**

AUG 30. 11:00 AM (ET)

Oxford Cemetery  
Oxford, MD

# Tribute Wall



“ *Norma Bryan Forrest*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Norma Bryan Forrest*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Norma Bryan Forrest*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *Glenna L. Dodd lit a candle in memory of Norma Bryan Forrest*



Glenna L. Dodd - December 11, 2022 at 11:18 PM



“ *June Shortall sent a virtual gift in memory of Norma Bryan Forrest*



June Shortall - August 30, 2021 at 09:34 AM



June Shortall

*I am sending condolences from the Bringman family, she will be greatly missed as her husband Ben is.*

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**June Shortall** - August 30, 2021 at 09:42 AM

BS

“ *Mrs Forest was such kind ,soft spoken lady whom I was truly fond of ,I was with her for a lot of years until she moved from Parkview. She will truly be missed, prayers go out to the family,may God bless you and keep you close to his heart,as this is a time you need him so much.*

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**Brenda Sisco** - August 28, 2021 at 11:47 PM

JP

“ *Growing up in Oxford in the 1950's and '60's, I have very happy memories of Norma as the mother of my best friend, Dona. There was the time my sister Puff and I spent the night in their house on Tred Avon Ave. to celebrate our birthdays and woke to find presents on the foot of our beds! We held pennywinkle races on the porch and played in the back of Ben's pickup truck when it was full of mannos. One major regret on my part was telling June that there was no santa claus. I recall Norma's fury to this day and hope that June forgives me. Sending my condolences and my love to you all.  
~ Jenny Fortenbaugh Post*

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**Jennifer Fortenbaugh Post** - August 28, 2021 at 12:34 PM

PF

“ Truly one of the most interesting people you could meet. Norma knew more about the county and the various people who populated it over the years than anyone I ever met. What she did not appreciate was that she was one of the most interesting of all. She and Ben helped me get started in public life in Talbot County. I will truly miss her counsel, advice and friendship.



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**Phil Foster** - August 28, 2021 at 02:45 AM

DR

“ Debi Roth-Bowles lit a candle in memory of Norma Bryan Forrest



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**Debi Roth-Bowles** - August 27, 2021 at 08:44 PM

TN

“ Aunt Norma, Melissa and I love you and Melissa and I will miss your stories. June and Dona, we're so sorry for the loss of Aunt Norma. She was and still a wonderful woman.

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**Tripp Neal** - August 25, 2021 at 10:54 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Norma Bryan Forrest.



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August 25, 2021 at 02:29 PM

SM

“ *Sandy McDonald lit a candle in memory of Norma Bryan Forrest*



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**Sandy McDonald** - August 25, 2021 at 02:17 PM

SM

*She was a special lady to all who knew or met her. May our Lord and Savior bring you... Bennie, Suzanne, June and Tommy comfort during this time and peace. With much Love, Sandy*

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**Sandy McDonald** - August 25, 2021 at 02:20 PM

NP

“ *Ms Norma, I truly enjoyed the little time we visited with each other. Your stories and memories were easy to share. I want you to know that I thank you and cherish you for molding and shaping your daughter Dona into a person that I easily accepted as my friend. She would not be who she is if it weren't for you. Until eternity, love you, Nina.*

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**Nina Piccolo** - August 25, 2021 at 12:46 PM