



Palla Jayne Schreurs

April 11, 1920 - October 8, 2017

Palla K. Schreurs passed away on October 8, 2017 at her home in Grasonville, MD. She was 97.

She was born April 11, 1920 in St. Louis, Missouri to the late Walter M. Koenig and Cora B. Hanson Koenig. She attended Webster Groves High School, graduating class of 1937. After graduation, she attended Washington University, where she was a member of the Zeta Tau Alpha sorority, and later attended Iowa State taking courses in aeronautical engineering. On June 17, 1944, she married Merle F. Schreurs and resided in Des Moines, Iowa. After marriage, she went back to school, attending Toledo University where she received a bachelor's degree in education. In 1967, she and her husband moved to Andover, Mass., where she received a master's degree from Suffolk University in early childhood education. Mrs. Schreurs began teaching in 1967 at Greater Lawrence Technical Vocational School and retired in 1989.

In 2000, Mr. and Mrs. Schreurs moved to Grasonville to be closer to her family. She was a member of the United Church of Christ Annapolis and the Kent Island garden club.

Throughout her life, Mrs. Schreurs found great joy in her family, in the company of children, her teaching career, and in gardening. A lover of flowers and especially roses, she was a skilled flower arranger and gardener. She also loved to host her friends at her home, whether it be a bridge, garden, or

knitting group, a family gathering, or a small group of dear friends. There were a great many dear friends from the years in Ohio, Massachusetts, and Maryland, demonstrated by a well-filled address book kept current until quite recently.

Wherever she lived, she felt a responsibility to volunteer her time and talent in her community. Her family remembers her always making time for community garden projects, church, innumerable fundraisers, and other efforts to help or comfort others in need. As she became more frail, there were still comfort shawls in progress on her knitting needles.

Mrs. Schreurs is survived by three children, Susan Richards (Paul), Stephen Schreurs (Susan) and Janice (David) Conlon; two grandchildren, Blake Schreurs and Christopher Conlon; two great-grandchildren, Alexander and Lucas Schreurs, and Kara Humphrey (widow of Brian Schreurs), to whom she remained close. She was predeceased by her husband Merle in 2016; her sisters Bette Harp and MaryLou Rivett, and brother Ralph Koenig; and her grandson Brian Schreurs.

The family wishes to extend their appreciation to the staff and caregivers from Home Instead, Inc and Compass Hospice Care, who helped immeasurably in easing Palla's last years in her home.

Services will be held on Saturday, November 11, 2017 from 2-4 pm at the Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home, P.A. in Chester, MD.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to:

Compass Regional Hospice, 160 Coursevall Drive, Centreville MD 21617;
Chesapeake Bay Environmental Center, 600 Discovery Ln, Grasonville, MD 21638;

United Church of Christ Annapolis, 8 Carvel Circle, Edgewater, MD 21037

Previous Events

celebration of life

NOV **11**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Chester Location / Kent Island

106 Shamrock Road

Chester, MD 21619

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Tribute Wall



“ *Palla Jayne Schreurs*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Palla Jayne Schreurs*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Palla Jayne Schreurs*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *You're in our thoughts. purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Palla Jayne Schreurs.*



You're in our thoughts. - November 03, 2017 at 10:24 PM

CH

“ While a young mother getting involved in activities at West Parish Church I met Palla and Merle. What a wonderful couple. Through our frequent participation at many of the same church events Palla became a role model to me of the type of woman I wanted to be. She especially guided me through our Sunday School teaching days. I can't say I reached her standard of being but I continue to work on it. It was a sad parting for many of us with they left Andover. My condolences to her very lucky children and grandchildren for having had her in their lives. A real lady and a true blessing to those who knew her.



Christine Hartwell

Christine Hartwell - October 20, 2017 at 10:53 AM

MB

“ Paula was in my cluster group at West Parish Church in Andover, She was always calm, supportive, engaged and engaging, lovely person who lived Christ's message of love every day. When my teen-age son was going through a challenging time, she and Merle hired him to do yard work as a way of keeping him busy....I so appreciated her willingness to help in whatever way she could! She was also eager to share gardening information and I learned a lot from her. So sorry to hear about her passing. She will be missed!

Maria Bartlett

Maria Bartlett - October 19, 2017 at 02:28 PM

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Christine Hartwell - October 20, 2017 at 10:29 AM

JA

“ *What a wonderful lady ! I always enjoyed talking with Mrs Schreurs on my shift. She also taught me how to play Boogie. And beat me all the time. I never passed up a shift with her. She will be missed. Rest In Peace.*
Janice Young



JaniceYoung - October 17, 2017 at 04:16 PM

GW

“ *Gail Winkelmeyer lit a candle in memory of Palla Jayne Schreurs*



Gail Winkelmeyer - October 17, 2017 at 05:59 AM

CS

“ *Cynthia S.DiLL lit a candle in memory of Palla Jayne Schreurs*



Cynthia S.DiLL - October 17, 2017 at 05:33 AM