



Rita H. Pierce

March 22, 1933 - March 26, 2018

Rita H. Pierce, 85, passed peacefully on Monday, March 26, at the University of Maryland Shore Medical Center in Easton.

Rita was born in Oak Park, IL, on March 22, 1933, to father, F. Herrick Herrick and mother, Myrtle Olson Herrick. As a small child, Rita travelled throughout the world with her mother and filmmaking father as he produced travel documentaries from the Middle East and Africa, to London and Paris.

At the age of seven, her parents divorced. Rita lived with her mother and grandmother in Chicago, before settling in Southern California. She raised two children, son Lawrence by husband Edward Hane and daughter Dana by second husband, Ralph S. Pierce.

She earned a Bachelor's Degree in English from California State University Northridge and began a rewarding twenty-four year teaching career in the Los Angeles City school system. Rita taught elementary school covering all grades, from one to six.

She received recognition for her teaching prowess, by scores of past students, as a member of the Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society and Who's Who in American Education.

In 1999, she married Bob Pierce, whom she first met 40 years before. In 2001, they moved to Easton, MD, to enjoy their retirement years together.

Rita was loved by her family, friends and co-workers, with an unforgettable smile that lit up her corner of the world.

Rita is survived by her loving husband, Robert D. Pierce of Easton, son, Lawrence M. Pierce, daughter, Dana Erin Pierce and step-daughter, Laurel E. Pierce all of California.

As per her wishes, all services are private.

Memorial contributions may be made in her memory to a charity of your choice.

Tribute Wall



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“ *Rita was a wonderful person. All my life she treated me with kindness and love. And she loved my dad and made him so happy. I will miss her very much. ♡♡♡*

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