



Anna Ruth Taylor

July 18, 1941 - February 21, 2025

Anna Ruth Taylor, 83 of La Plata, MD peacefully passed away on February 21, 2025.

Anna was born on July 18, 1941, to Frank and Nellie Downs in Suitland, MD. After graduating from Suitland High School, Anna worked at Casualty hospital located in Washington D.C., in the medical records department.

In 1960, she met her husband William Howard Taylor (Bill) and went on to have two children, Sherry Beach (Steve) of Mechanicsville and Michael Taylor of Chaptico, MD.

Anna worked 20 years as a homemaker and providing childcare, then on to 20 years working for the federal government. While retired, Anna enjoyed shopping, cooking, crafts and spending time with family and friends. She was best known for her generous kind heart and was a thoughtful gift giver.

Anna was preceded in death by her husband William Taylor her parents Frank and Nellie Downs, her brother Joseph Downs and her two sisters Mary Smeal and Francis Elford. She is survived by two children, four grandchildren Stephen, Erika, Billy and Kait, and her sister Catherine Davis of Farnham, Va.

A viewing will be held at Raymond Funeral Services in La Plata MD. On Tuesday, March 25th, 2025 from 10am until service at 12pm. Burial to follow at Cheltenham Cemetery at 1:45pm.

In lieu of flowers, please follow in Annas footsteps and consider a donation to the Dementia Society of America, at https://www.dementiasociety.org/the-big-umbrella?gad_source=1&gclid=Cj0KCQiA8fW9BhC8ARIsACwHqYri2rWcS_9

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Cemetery Details

Cheltenham Veterans Cemetery

11301 Crain Hwy
Cheltenham, MD 20623

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 25. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Raymond Funeral Chapel
5635 Washington Ave.
La Plata, MD
business.office@raymondfuneral.com
<http://www.raymondfuneralservice.com>

Funeral Service

MAR 25. 12:00 PM (ET)

Raymond Funeral Chapel
5635 Washington Ave.
La Plata, MD
business.office@raymondfuneral.com
<http://www.raymondfuneralservice.com>

Burial

MAR 25. 1:45 PM (ET)

Cheltenham Veterans Cemetery
11301 Crain Hwy
Cheltenham, MD 20623

Tribute Wall

DP

“ God bless your beautiful soul Ms. Taylor. May you rest in Peace. You were the best next-door neighbor here on Dulles Street. I have missed you. May God bless your family.

Darlene Palmore



Darlene Marie Palmore - March 15, 2025 at 09:06 AM

CS

“ When I look at Aunt Anna I can see my mother and my sister in her face. We lived in West Virginia when my father was stationed in Sugar Grove, and we would come to grandma and grandpa's house and make homemade pizza's. Grandma had a big garden and everyone cooked. We would have big meals every month and it would be so much fun . I Didn't see much of the family after that, but later on in my mother's life I remember her and Anna on the phone laughing. My mother looked forward to those calls. I can imagine your mother and mine raising hell in heaven!!

So sorry for your loss. Sherry and Mike, you should be so proud of yourselves. It's so hard to take care of a loved one with dementia. I Would love to have any of the family come to Maine and visit. I would treat you to a lobster dinner! Love to all, from Maine

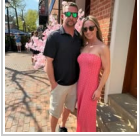
Cathy Smeal - March 01, 2025 at 05:58 PM

SB

“ Thinking about all the great memories Mee Mee and I had over the years, I can say she was the best grandmother a grandson could have! A lot of time was spent together with family on the weekends, exploring good places to grab dinner, thoughtful gifts, cooking, and many laughs. Taking the plane up for a spin was fun as well and she absolutely loved it! Mee Mee always believed in me and lit up when I made surprise visits to see her. I will always miss her and honored to be there when needed the most! Until we meet again rest in peace Mee Mee and I love you!



Stephen Beach - February 27, 2025 at 07:56 PM



“ *Where to start? My Mee Mee has been a special part of my entire life. Some of my fondest memories shared with Mee Mee included sleepovers at her house as a kid and eating ice cream in her special ice cream dishes while wheel of fortune or Seinfeld played on the television in the living room. On snow days, we would pull our sleds down the street so we could sleigh ride down the hill in her back yard. In the fall we would rake up the leaves only to jump in the pile with Daisy and scatter the leaves back across the yard. As a young adult, Mee Mee was not only my grandmother, but became one of closest friends. I always looked forward to our adventures to Fredericksburg or Annapolis for shopping, and our Liver and Onions dates at MCGarveys on Tuesdays. Mee Mee and I even attended our first American Idol concert together as we both couldn't get enough of our crush David Archuleta! As the years continued we still remained close. Our phone calls would last hours just reminiscing about our memories together, joking with one another, or catching up about the day to day world. It will be hard knowing that my Mee Mee is no longer here, but the memories we have shared will always hold near and dear to my heart. I Love You Mee Mee!*



Erika Donaldson - February 25, 2025 at 07:51 PM

RB

“ *Regina Beach lit a candle in memory of Anna Ruth Taylor*



Regina Beach - February 25, 2025 at 07:39 PM

RB

“ Anna was the sweetest person who was very giving and lovable. She always had a smile on her face. Keeping her in my heart and prayers. Love and miss you. You are in God’s loving hands now. No more suffering. Rest in peace my dear friend.

Regina Beach - February 25, 2025 at 07:33 PM

SB

“ SHERRY A BEACH lit a candle in memory of Anna Ruth Taylor



SHERRY A BEACH - February 25, 2025 at 07:19 PM

SB

“ I have many ever lasting memories of our Saturdays spent together. They were filled with activities like, hair washing, manicures, lunches and dinners. They will be treasured forever. She will always be my forever girl friend and mom.

SHERRY A BEACH - February 25, 2025 at 07:09 PM

TS

“ Anna - you will be deeply missed. Your beautiful smile and laughter is so contagious! I will always keep you in my heart and remember all the fun times we had joking and laughing together. Until we meet again - I LOVE YOU! 🙏❤️🙏. Theresa Beach Sherman



Theresa Beach Sherman - February 25, 2025 at 06:50 PM