



Doris Anna Frere

October 15, 1926 - May 2, 2018

Doris Frere, long-time resident of Bel Alton, passed away on May 2, 2018, after a long illness. Mrs. Frere was born in DeLand, Florida on October 15, 1926 to Beacham Montague Hatch and Marion Leona Mason. Her father moved the family often during the Depression as he looked for better opportunities. She moved north with her family in the 1940's, and while at Eastern High School in Baltimore, attended the Maryland Institute of Art at night.

Her first job was working as a Draftsman at Fort Belvoir in Virginia during World War II, where she met her future husband, Samuel Phillips Frere. They were married from 1945 until his passing in 2010. For many years she worked for the Tri-County Council for Southern Maryland, drafting, creating maps, brochures, and traveling with displays promoting local tourism.

Mrs. Frere was an exceptional artist, working in watercolors, oils, stained glass, and her favorite – hand-painted china. She was a member of the Northern Virginia Porcelain Artists, and also taught china painting. Her artwork was published in several China Painting magazines and graced a number of their covers. She enjoyed traveling in Europe and was always on the lookout for inspiration for her beautiful china. She was an avid collector of antiques and was a member of the Charles County Antiques Arts Association.

Mrs. Frere was predeceased by her parents, husband Phil, and sister Marion Cronhardt Hisler. She is survived by her daughter Phyllis Elaine Frere, brother Roy George Hatch, and many nieces and nephews.

In accordance with her wishes, there will be no viewing and services will be private. Donations in her memory may be made to the charity of your choice.

Tribute Wall



“ *Doris Anna Frere*

October 08, 2023 at 10:45 PM



“ *Doris Anna Frere*

October 04, 2023 at 03:12 PM



“ *To my dear friend Phyllis,
(and your extended family),
May precious memories bring you comfort,
joy and peace as you grieve the physical
separation from your Mom. I will always
treasure the "Christmas" painting on china that she created.
Sincerely,
Sharon Bowie*



Sharon Bowie - May 11, 2018 at 07:40 AM



“ *Phyllis,
My sincerest sympathies on the loss of your dear mother. She was
a special lady who was so gifted with her lovely china painting. I
truely enjoyed knowing her. May you find comfort in your memories
of her.*

Phyllis Hutchinson

Phyllis Hutchinson - May 09, 2018 at 09:35 AM

AM

“ Aunt Doris was a very special person especially to me. She and Uncle Phil were my godparents. I will always cherish the memories I have of them and Phyllis. Phyllis was my mentor yet like my older sister. Sending my love to her now and prayers for the family. Love, Anita



anita mattingly - May 05, 2018 at 05:41 PM

JC

“ Janet Scott Cox sent a virtual gift in memory of Doris Anna Frere



Janet Scott Cox - May 05, 2018 at 02:33 PM

JC

“ Janet Scott Cox lit a candle in memory of Doris Anna Frere



Janet Scott Cox - May 05, 2018 at 02:30 PM

JC

My dear Phyllis, Your Mother was a wonderful lady and I enjoyed so much talking with you both. I am sincerely sorry for your loss and pray that the Lord Jesus gives you strength to carry on. If you need to talk, give me a call. Prayers & Hugs. Janet

Janet Scott Cox - May 05, 2018 at 02:32 PM

CC

“ *Carroll And Charlotte lit a candle in memory of Doris Anna Frere*



Carroll and Charlotte - May 04, 2018 at 04:29 PM

ED

“ *Emily Drury lit a candle in memory of Doris Anna Frere*



Emily Drury - May 03, 2018 at 06:36 PM

EF

In deepest sympathy and loving memory to her daughter Phyllis and family

emily ferren - May 04, 2018 at 03:25 PM

VS

Dear Phyllis, My sister sent me the notice of your moth's death - what a lovely picture of her. Your mother and I worked together for many years at the Tri-County Council (you probably remember). We had lunch together many times after we both retired, when I came to Southern Maryland from my home in Delaware. I probably hadn't seen her for about three years, and she was not herself the last time I visited her. We went out to lunch and had a nice time together. She gave me two of her lovely painted china pieces, which I cherish as a sweet memory of our friendship. Losing your mother is a very sad time in our lives, and I pray the many nice memories you have of her will comfort you. She was a very talented and lovely lady. I always praise the Lord for beautiful memories and pray to keep them as long as possible. God bless you.

With much love , Velma Sanford

Velma Sanford - May 08, 2018 at 04:08 PM

AD

I treasure the pieces of her china that I have.

A Davis - May 10, 2018 at 03:48 PM