



## Elsie Lucile Richards

March 15, 1922 - June 21, 2015

Elsie Lucile Richards, age 93 of Waldorf, MD, passed away on June 21, 2015 at the Charles County Hospice House in Waldorf, MD.

Elsie was born on March 15, 1922 in Waldorf, MD to the late John Samuel Vernon and Grace (Hamilton) Vernon. In addition to her parents, she is predeceased by her husband of 35 years, Charles Richards; her brothers, John, Spike, and Clark Vernon.

She is survived by her children, Mary Frances (Moreland) Burkett and John Edward Welch and his wife Patsy; her sister, Mae Howard; her brothers, Charles Vernon and his wife Hattie and Sam Vernon; and her grandchildren, John Welch and his wife Sarah, Timothy Welch and his wife Luci, Bill Welch and his wife Alicia, Rhonda McGraw and her husband John, David Perkins, and Dee Altamarino and her husband Pedro. She is also survived by 13 great-grandchildren; three great-great-grandchildren; and four nieces.

Elsie began her career as a waitress for Louis Groves. She later worked at the Old Ryons Store in Waldorf as a clerk. She also worked at the Waldorf Department Store for Harry Weiner. She retired from the Ben Franklin 5&10 where she worked for Ben Weiner. This span of her career totaled 43 years. She volunteered at the Polls in Waldorf for many years and was a member of St. Paul's Episcopal "Piney Church." She and her husband loved to play cards

with their family and friends almost every Friday night. When her health was good, she loved to travel and her favorite place was the Amish Dutch Country in Lancaster, PA. She met many people when she traveled and stayed in touch with them over the years. Most of all, she loved flowers and her flower garden. Elsie was a loving and kind person whom was loved and cared about by all that met her. We were truly blessed to have had her as a mother, mother-in-law, grandmother, sister, aunt, cousin, family member, and friend.

Friends will be received on Sunday, June 28, 2015 from 2-4PM and 6-8PM with Prayers at 7PM at Raymond Funeral Service Chapel, 5635 Washington Avenue, La Plata, MD 20646. Funeral Service on Monday, June 29, 2015 at 11AM at St. Paul's Episcopal Church "Piney Parish", Waldorf, MD. Interment at the church cemetery.

Memorials are asked to St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 4535 Piney Church Road, Waldorf, MD 20604 or to Hospice of Charles County, 2505 Davis Road, Waldorf, MD 20603.

# Cemetery Details

## St. Paul's Church Cemetery

Waldorf, MD

# Previous Events

## Friends Received

JUN 28. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

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

## Friends Received

JUN 28. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

## Prayers

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**JUN 28.** 7:00 PM (ET)

Raymond Funeral Chapel  
5635 Washington Ave.  
La Plata, MD  
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## Service

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**JUN 29.** 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Paul's Epsicopal Church - Piney Parish  
4535 Piney Church Road  
Waldorf, MD 20604

# Tribute Wall



“ *Elsie Lucile Richards*

October 08, 2023 at 10:45 PM



“ *Elsie Lucile Richards*

October 04, 2023 at 03:12 PM



“ *I remember Elsie starting as a child shopping at the Ben Franklin and later many other contacts and she was always such a sweet lady. My condolences to the family. Dreama Cusic*

**Dreama Cusic** - June 27, 2015 at 11:52 PM



“ *I have known Elsie since I was a small child. She and my mother were very good friends, We lived on Holly Lane and she and her family lived on Vernon Rd. with a small wooded area between our houses. We had some great times. I know she is resting in peace now and will find many friends waiting for her. Remembering good times. RIP Elsie.*

**Margaret Strobel Rollins** - June 27, 2015 at 09:57 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Elsie Lucile Richards.*



June 27, 2015 at 11:28 AM

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“ Louise-Herold and Family purchased the Peaceful / White Lilies Basket for the family of Elsie Lucile Richards.



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**Louise-Herold and Family** - June 25, 2015 at 11:01 AM

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“ Elsie was a special person to me from the time I was a little girl, especially because she and my mother, Arabelle, were good friends. There's no doubt that those two are back together, talking and laughing once again. Love to Elsie's family from Elaine Bender Bowie.

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**Elaine Bowie** - June 24, 2015 at 10:27 AM



“ Blooming Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Elsie Lucile Richards.



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June 24, 2015 at 08:27 AM

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“ I am so very sorry to hear the sad news. Elsie was one of the nicest people I know. She always had a smile for you. My thoughts and prayers are with the family during this really sad time.



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**Mary (Middleton) Pruitt** - June 22, 2015 at 04:37 PM