



Joan Frazier Middleton

November 9, 1944 - August 26, 2024

Joan Frazier Middleton, 79 of Waldorf, a beacon of compassion and dedication, passed away on August 26, 2024, and now rests in the fullness of God's grace. Joan lived a life steeped in the principles of justice, mercy, and humility, embodying the spirit of Micah 6:8 in every aspect of her being.

With a career as a college and career counselor at the College of Southern Maryland La Plata campus, Joan impacted many young people's lives by assisting them navigate the scheduling of college courses and figuring out how to transfer coursework to a four-year institution. Moving from city life to life on the farm, Joan wholeheartedly embraced farming through marriage. Joan's contributions spanned diverse fields. Yet, her greatest joy was found in being a steadfast confidant and enthusiastic supporter to her eight beloved grandchildren.

Joan was born in Monterey, California on November 9th, 1944 and raised in Salt Lake City, Utah. She is preceded in death by her parents, Harry and Eolia Frazier and sister, Karen Meredith.

She is survived by her devoted husband of 48 years, Mac; her children Kelly (Tommy), Brooke (Pat), and Bret (Cylinda); and her cherished grandchildren Trevor, Zach, Delana, Kayden, Drew, Reece, Henry, and Adeline.

A private celebration of Joan's life will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made in Joan's memory to Hospice of the Chesapeake or St. Paul's Episcopal Church. Please select "Memorial Fund" from the dropdown menu and add "Joan Middleton" to the memo line. You may also mail your donation to St. Paul's Episcopal,,4535 Piney Church Road Waldorf, MD 20602

Tribute Wall

MM

“ Me and my family live in Lori's SC now we just found out about her passing. Aunt Joyce just called mom and told us. Me and my family would like to send our deepest sympathy to you and your family. I know personal that my dad Irvan Middleton Jr always liked her and said she was good people. Are prayers are with Mac and his family.

Melissa Middleton - October 07, 2024 at 05:35 PM

LF

“ Our thoughts and prayer to the Middleton family. May the beautiful memories you shared console you in this time of need. God bless!



Loraine Hennessy and family - September 12, 2024 at 09:32 AM

SH

“ So many thoughts and prayers are being sent for the family. So sorry for your loss. May she forever rest in heavenly peace.
Susie Hardesty

Susan Hardesty - September 10, 2024 at 12:57 PM

CA

“Joan welcomed me with her usual kindness when I joined the faculty at CSM (or CCCC as it was then), and was always supportive of my work, especially in the area of Women's History. She cared for all of the CSM community -- faculty, students, staff -- and was always a pleasure to work with. My condolences to Mac, to my former student, Kelly, and to all the Middleton family.

Christine

Christine Arnold-Lourie - September 09, 2024 at 02:27 PM



CSM was a huge part of her. Thanks for sharing.

Brooke Lyon - September 10, 2024 at 06:02 PM

BD

“Joan had student success and support at her core. I was blessed to have her as a mentor and colleague. Her wise words of guidance still resonate in my work today at CSM. Your light still shines through other!

Beverly Dearstine-Russell - September 09, 2024 at 01:53 PM

LW

“Joan was a beloved leader and coworker to so many at CSM. She was a voice of calm reason and always ready to advocate for students. One of my fondest memories of Joan, we were all preparing for graduation in the gym and the music was blaring through the sound system as staff was roaming around setting up for the event. The song “Happy,” came on and Joan starts dancing down the aisle. That’s how I’ll remember her. So sorry for the loss of your dear wife, mother and grandmother.

lisa Warren - September 05, 2024 at 01:56 PM



That's her - always finding the light t thanks for sharing. We sure do miss her.

Brooke Lyon - September 10, 2024 at 06:03 PM

EM

“ Mac, my most sincere condolences. I have walked this path and it is not easy. The hardest part is the quiet of the evening and not having that person to talk to. Be kind to yourself.

Erroll Mattox

Erroll A Mattox - September 05, 2024 at 01:07 PM

BM

“ Mac, so sorry to hear of the passing of your wife. Sending you my prayers and sincerest condolences.

Dr. Rev. Bill Miller

Maryland State Police Chaplain, LaPlata Barrack, retired.

Bill A Miller - September 05, 2024 at 11:47 AM

JD

“ Joan was one of the kindest souls I've ever met. I worked along side her at the College of Southern Maryland and one could learn a lot just watching her work so well with all people. She will be missed.

Jeanine Davis - September 05, 2024 at 09:42 AM

JS

“Joan and I go way back before her time at then Charles County Community College and now the College of Southern Maryland. I have so many memories and stories with her. I knew whenever she was late for work, it was because one of the cows got out and she had to put it back in the fence. During the holidays, I could always depend on Joan to bring me some stuffed ham that was made by Mac. She was there when I got married and when I had my only child. She advised me as to what to do when I told her that i found a snake in my house. She was always there for the students at Thomas Stone. She was really their academic advisor and I basically assisted her. I am where I am career wise because of Joan. She gave me so many opportunities to advance in my career. She has definitely made an impact on my life.... just like a mom. Rest well, Joan. You will be missed.

James Spence - September 04, 2024 at 10:52 PM



James! Many fond memories of you as well - too funny about the cows! Still true!

Brooke Lyon - September 10, 2024 at 06:04 PM

PS

“Joan and Mac were a second family to me we moved to CC. We were first neighbors at Holly Tree Apts. We always laughed when we introduced Mac as our “farmer” friend. Spent lots of time with Joan traveling to Old Town in Virginia for Her doctor visits while pregnant with her first born and of course shopping....we became city farmers after they moved to farm, lots of memories riding on tractors, planting gardens and of course in those days learning about tobacco farms. Also A great place for kids! Many many memories.....Love to her family and know she is resting in peace. She was a great lady!

Penney Simms - September 04, 2024 at 05:23 PM



She loved shopping!

Brooke Lyon - September 10, 2024 at 06:05 PM

RJ

“*Joan was my first true mentor at CSM. She cared so much for the staff that worked with her and the students that she helped. Joan is what all of us should strive to achieve - a forceful yet caring educator - education for everyone doesn't just come from a book. Thoughts and prayers to her family and all those that had the opportunity to know her.*

~Ronda Jacobs

Ronda Jacobs - September 04, 2024 at 04:46 PM