



Marianne Cox Wilburn

May 14, 1948 - November 27, 2021

Marianne Cox Wilburn, 73, of Allens Fresh, Maryland, passed away peacefully at home on November 27, 2021 after battling ill health for some time.

Born on May 14, 1948 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to Paul Joseph Cox and Nancy Marie Joyce Cox, she was raised in District Heights, Maryland and attended Mt. Calvary School in Forestville, Maryland. She graduated from La Reine High School in 1966 where she enjoyed playing the oboe in the band and orchestra and was a member of the Pep Club. She went on to receive a Bachelor of Arts from the University of Maryland in 1970. She began her career as a technical editor with the American Petroleum Institute and then with the National Academy of Sciences before she focused on raising her family.

Marianne was a devoted and loving wife of 48 years to her husband, Harris Raymond Wilburn, Jr. Both history buffs, they enjoyed traveling together visiting as many National Parks as they could and enjoying seeing Europe, Hawaii, and the Caribbean together, too. She loved hiking, camping, and backpacking with her family and also enjoyed gardening and birding. Known as an excellent cook, she would often recreate recipes from her travels, much to the delight of her family and friends. An adoring mother to two children, Marianne was sure to be found volunteering as a room mother, scout leader, and chaperone. She was a treasure to her local Girl Scout Council of the

Nations Capital where she led troops, organized Encampments and Expos, and was instrumental in fundraising for SHARE. She also served as Service Unit Manager and Association Chair for GSCNC 54-15. As her children showed an interest in music, she became an integral support to the Lake Braddock Bruin Band Boosters: she never missed chaperoning a single trip and was at every football game, concert, and competition as a “closet mom,” helping the students with their uniforms. Marianne was a longtime parishioner of the Church of the Nativity Catholic Parish of Burke, Virginia where she was a catechist for many years. She also spent time working with Adult and Community Education with Fairfax County Public Schools.

She spent much of her life residing in Lake Braddock in Burke, Virginia where she established many deep and lasting friendships. She was known for her quick wit and was always the life of the party. She taught us all to never take oneself too seriously and there is always fun and a laugh to be had.

She and her husband retired to Allens Fresh, Maryland where she lived her remaining years on a small farm and was an active parishioner of Christ Church, Wayside. She loved spending every day with her three grandchildren and passed along her love of reading, cooking, and good humor to them.

She is survived by her loving husband, Harris Raymond Wilburn, Jr., and her two children, David Michael Wilburn and Sarah Wilburn MacMillan (Michael). She is also survived by her three adoring grandchildren, Sean Patrick MacMillan, Mary Catherine MacMillan, and Ronan James MacMillan, as well as many family and friends who adore her. She is preceded in death by her mother and father.

Family and friends will be received on Thursday, December 9, 2021 from 2:00 until 4:00 PM and again from 6:00 until 8:00 PM with a prayer service at 7:00 PM at Raymond Funeral Home, 5635 Washington Avenue, La Plata, Maryland

20646. Her funeral service will be on Friday, December 10, 2021 at 10:00 AM at Christ Church Wayside, 13050 Rock Point Road, Newburg, Maryland 20664 with a repast immediately following in the Parish Hall. Burial will be private at Fort Lincoln Cemetery in Brentwood, Maryland 20722

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in her memory to Wayside Food Bank, 15848 Rock Point Road, Newburg, MD 20664 or to The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, Donor Services, P.O. Box 22324, New York, NY 10087.

Cemetery Details

Ft. Lincoln Cemetery

3401 Bladensburg Road
Brentwood, MD 20722

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 9. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

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

Visitation

DEC 9. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

Prayer Service

DEC 9. 7:00 PM (ET)

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

Service

DEC 10. 10:00 AM (ET)

Christ Church ~ Wayside
13050 Rock Point Road
Newburg, MD 20664

Tribute Wall



“ *Marianne Cox Wilburn*

October 08, 2023 at 10:45 PM



“ *Marianne Cox Wilburn*

October 04, 2023 at 03:12 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Marianne Cox Wilburn.*



December 09, 2021 at 11:48 AM



“ *My deepest sympathy on the loss of a dear friend of many years. We met as Girl Scout leaders in our Service Unit days. Marianne always brought humor, understanding and life to every meeting and get-together we had through the years. I will always remember her leading several encampments with her usual keep-it-going attitude through all the trials and tribulations we faced in the woods! I will especially remember her making badges for all of the girls who "surfed Bull Run" when our camp was literally washed out in a huge storm. Keep the memories alive by reminding everyone of her wonderful voice and joy of living.*

*Maureen Conte
Fairfax, VA*

Maureen Conte - December 07, 2021 at 02:49 AM

SO

With you and yours in spirit and prayer. Sr Shaun Kathleen Wilson, osf. LR'64

sr shaun kathleen wilson osf - December 09, 2021 at 08:44 PM

JW

“ Jack & Susan Wilburn purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Marianne Cox Wilburn.



Jack & Susan Wilburn - December 06, 2021 at 10:35 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Marianne Cox Wilburn.



December 04, 2021 at 05:03 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Marianne Cox Wilburn.



December 03, 2021 at 01:20 PM

CM

“ Your mom was a life force. She will be fondly remembered.

I recall our first meeting in Baltimore to discuss your marriage to Michael. Mike was in Germany, you were in Kentucky. Ken and I hadn't met you and your parents hadn't met Mike. Still, we had a lovely lunch and went ahead planning for your future. It was an unforgettable moment.



Cathy MacMillan - December 03, 2021 at 12:18 PM

CR

“ Our sincerest thoughts and prayers to your family as you go through this tough time. She was a lovely lady and always a gracious host. We are only a phone call away if you guys need anything. Love, Charlie, Julie, and the kids.

Charlie Reilly - December 03, 2021 at 10:47 AM

CR

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Charlie Reilly - December 03, 2021 at 10:44 AM

DC

“ Classmate and avid reader...we shared what we had read..will miss her Facebook comments ...will miss a classmate I reconnected with

Donna Dombroski Cook,PA, Class of 1966

Donna Cook - December 01, 2021 at 06:40 PM

PR

“ Pam Rollins-Butler lit a candle in memory of Marianne Cox Wilburn



Pam Rollins-Butler - December 01, 2021 at 01:43 PM

PR

Prayers to the family during this difficult time

Pam Rollins-Butler - December 01, 2021 at 01:54 PM

JV

“ Marianne was one dearly loved friend ❤️ She kept our family laughing for many years and supported us at the lowest time of our life. We lost our beloved daughter in Oct 1989. Shortly after our daughter's passing on Christmas eve there was Marianne standing unannounced in our front yard singing Christmas Carols to us. She felt our pain and did all she could to ease it. We still tear up when we think about her Christmas Carols of 1989. That my friends is a "real friend". Marianne was so caring and thoughtful. We could never repay her.

Her quick wit and humor kept everyone in continuous laughter. Avid reader and so knowledgeable. She knew more than her Doctors knew 😊 We have known Marianne for 38 wonderful years. The joy she brought to our family. Thank you Jesus for bringing Marianne Cox Wilburn into the Vagianos Family lives.

Her memory will endure forevermore.

God Bless our Marianne. Heaven just got a "good one" ❤️❤️❤️

John Vagianos - November 30, 2021 at 12:34 PM

JE

“ *Our deepest sympathy, love, thoughts and prayers during this difficult journey* 🙏❤️✝️



joyce edelen - November 29, 2021 at 04:04 PM