



## Mary Estelle Canter

January 1, 1920 - August 4, 2016

Mary Estelle Moreland (Williams) Canter died August 4, 2016 at Genesis Healthcare in Waldorf.

Mary was born January 1, 1920 to the late Elzear and Catherine Burch Moreland. She was born in a house on Maxwell Hall Farm in Benedict, Maryland. This house is on the National Register of Historic Places having been rumored as an encampment for the British in the War of 1812. She graduated from Hughesville High School in 1938. She was married to the late Andrew Peter Williams until 1974. She was predeceased by her sons Leonard Joseph Williams, Andrew Peter Williams Jr. and daughter, Patricia Ann Hintze. Along with her children, she was predeceased by her Moreland siblings; Robert, Roy, Russell, Arthur, Elmer, Roger, Harry, Andrew, Cecelia, Anne, and Thelma Sullivan.

Mary worked for the Waldorf Post Office for 23 years. Prior to working for the Post Office, she spent her life farming and caring for her family. She belonged to the Waldorf-La Plata NARFE Chapter 1972 and was treasurer for at least 10 years. She was a devout member of St. Peter's Church in Waldorf for approximately 70 years. She was very knowledgeable in family history and many people contacted her for this information. Although Mary's hobby was playing bingo competitively, that did not prevent her from helping others to play the game as well. Her favorite number was O-75. Mary was an excellent

cook and loved to bake; she was well known for her delicious German chocolate cake. Mary will always be remembered as a generous person and loved by many.

Mary is survived by her daughters, Dorothy Vernon and Theresa Norris along with her son-in-laws Randy Norris (who spent countless hours with her which she enjoyed immensely) and Adolf Hintze; her grandchildren, Susan Howell (Thomas), JC Leavy (Anna), and Josh Leavy (Marlene); her great-grandchildren, Brittany Klock (Stevie), Melanie Melvin (Andrew), Jarrett Leavy, Camryn Leavy, Skye Leavy; and great-great-grandson, Brayden Klock. Additionally, Mary is survived by many nieces and nephews.

Friends received on Thursday, August 11, 2016 from 2-4PM and 6-8PM with Prayers at 7PM at Raymond Funeral Chapel, 5635 Washington Avenue, La Plata, Maryland 20646. Mass of Christian Burial on Friday, August 12, 2016 at 11AM at St. Peter's Catholic Church, 3320 St. Peter's Drive, Waldorf, Maryland 20601. Interment to follow at the church cemetery. Pallbearers will be JC Leavy, Josh Leavy, Jarrett Leavy, Stevie Klock, Andrew Melvin, and Thomas Unkle.

Memorial contributions in Mary's name may be sent to St. Peter's Church, 3320 St. Peter's Drive, Waldorf, Maryland 20601-2359.

# Cemetery Details

## St. Peter's Catholic Church Cemetery

3320 St. Peter's Drive  
Waldorf, MD 20601

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 11. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Raymond Funeral Service  
5635 Washington Avenue  
La Plata, MD 20646  
(301) 934-2920  
[business.office@raymondfuneral.com](mailto:business.office@raymondfuneral.com)  
<https://www.raymondfuneralservice.com>

## Visitation

AUG 11. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Raymond Funeral Service  
5635 Washington Avenue  
La Plata, MD 20646  
(301) 934-2920  
[business.office@raymondfuneral.com](mailto:business.office@raymondfuneral.com)  
<https://www.raymondfuneralservice.com>

## Prayers

AUG 11. 7:00 PM (ET)

Raymond Funeral Service  
5635 Washington Avenue  
La Plata, MD 20646  
(301) 934-2920  
business.office@raymondfuneral.com  
<https://www.raymondfuneralservice.com>

## Mass of Christian Burial

AUG 12. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Peter's Catholic Church  
3320 St. Peter's Drive  
Waldorf, MD 20601

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mary Estelle Canter*

October 08, 2023 at 10:45 PM



“ *Mary Estelle Canter*

October 04, 2023 at 03:12 PM



“ *Joe & Nicky White purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Mary Estelle Canter.*



**Joe & Nicky White** - August 10, 2016 at 01:49 PM



“ *Mary Frances and Bryant Wheeler purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mary Estelle Canter.*



**Mary Frances and Bryant Wheeler** - August 10, 2016 at 10:45 AM

DP

“ My sincere sympathy. Mary and my father (Emmett Pickeral) were co-workers and good friends. They worked together at the Waldorf Post Office. Both worked 23 years, and they had their retirement party together in 1980. My dad often commented that Mary had a great memory and could remember the name of everyone who came in the Post Office. I was so touched that Mary attended my father's funeral eleven years ago this July. She even made the trip to the cemetery. We had her sit with us at the grave site. We so appreciated her presence and kindness. She made a difference in many people's lives.

*Diane Pickeral*

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**Diane Pickeral** - August 09, 2016 at 08:04 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Mary Estelle Canter.



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August 08, 2016 at 01:20 PM

SB

“ *Sandei N Bob* lit a candle in memory of Mary Estelle Canter



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**Sandei n Bob** - August 08, 2016 at 12:05 PM

SB

*Dot, Teresa, and families, We are so very sorry to learn of your dear mom's passing. We enjoyed many visits with your lovely Mom, as she was our sister, Hazel's, roommate at Genesis. God Bless you all, as her loving memories warm your hearts and she smiles upon you from above. RIP Ms. Mary*

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**Sandie and Bob** - August 08, 2016 at 12:17 PM

BM

“ *So sorry to hear of Mary's passing. She and my mother, Rubye Haines, became friends in assisted living. They both looked after each other. My mother ended up in a nursing home and not long after Mary was also placed in the same facility. They were able to see each other one last time before my mother passed. I would like to think that maybe they connected with each other. My thoughts and prayers are with the family. God bless.*



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**Brenda McManus** - August 05, 2016 at 03:10 PM

MP

“ I am so very sorry to hear the sad news. I have known Mary and her family all my life. She was a very special lady. As a Eucharistic Minister, I had the pleasure of giving her communion during her stay at Genesis Healthcare and spending time with her. She attended all the Masses we had at Genesis. She would tell us how old she was and would even tell us when she was born. It will be hard to pass Room 14 on the C Wing and not see her in her wheelchair. But, she is at peace now and with her daughter, Ann. Dorothy and Teresa, you are in my thoughts and prayers during this really rough time. If there is anything I can do to help you get through the days ahead, please let me know.



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**Mary Pruitt** - August 05, 2016 at 09:12 AM