



Norma "Jean" Tierney

January 8, 1941 - December 13, 2017

Norma "Jean" Tierney, age 76 of Newburg, Maryland, died December 13, 2017 in LaPlata, Maryland.

Jean grew up in Brandywine, Maryland, where her family owned Schwien's Garage. While her brothers reveled in car mechanics and engines, Jean was drawn to the family farm and learning the natural way of growing things. She became a naturalist, and shared her green thumb and deep knowledge of flora and fauna as a Park Naturalist with the Maryland Park and Planning Commission. Jean encouraged a group of people interested in handmade basket weaving, founding the Basket Bunch which endures to this day.

Jean broadened her background of nature through extensive traveling and hiking, including a solo hike on a portion of the Appalachian Trail. She loved sharing her knowledge with her family, including her son Will and nieces and nephews, who enjoyed hiking and camping with her.

Her passion for traveling continued as she became an avid RV enthusiast. This included many trips out west and an epic trip to Alaska. Later, she and her beloved companion Irv spent winters in Texas, where she cultivated good friendships with the people she met.

Jean loved canoeing, kayaking, and boating. She and Irv fished and crabbed

the creeks of the Potomac River, and started an oyster bed. She was a member of the Cobb Island Yacht Club, and was crowned the first Cobb Island Crab Queen.

She was the daughter of Kurt Otto Schwien and Laura Elizabeth Connor Schwien.

She is survived by her beloved companion, Irv Peusch, Sr.; her son, William P. Tierney and her brothers, Harvey and Mark Schwien (Mary).

Friends received on Tuesday, December 19, 2017 from 9:30AM until time of Funeral Service at 11AM at Raymond Funeral Service Chapel, 5635 Washington Avenue, La Plata, Maryland 20646. Interment to follow at Trinity Memorial Gardens (Waldorf, Maryland).

Memorials in Jean's name are asked to Hospice of Charles County, 2505 Davis Road, Waldorf, Maryland 20603.

Cemetery Details

Trinity Memorial Gardens

3165 Mattawoman Beantown Rd.
Waldorf, MD 20601
<http://trinitymemorialgardens.com/>

Previous Events

Friends Received

DEC 19. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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

Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Norma "Jean" Tierney*

October 08, 2023 at 10:45 PM



“ *Norma "Jean" Tierney*

October 04, 2023 at 03:12 PM



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Will Tierney - December 16, 2017 at 04:40 PM



“ *We met Jean and Irvin several years ago at Seawind RV Park near Riviera, Texas. When we spent part of our winter in Palacios, we would meet halfway between for lunch a couple of years before Jean and Irvin stopped coming to Texas. We missed seeing Jean during our visit to Maryland in July of 2016, but had talked to her several times on the phone. We have fond memories of both of them. -- Sandy and Dan Minger, Vicksburg, Michigan.*

Dan and Sandy Minger - December 15, 2017 at 02:12 PM

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“ We are all sadden by this news. Jean was an avid naturalist, who I worked with, and who was interested in lots of nature's beauties from butterflies to baskets. Also as my cousin, she was the glue that held our family with her visits and calls. We are happy she had the love and support of her friend Irv and her son Willy. We will truly miss her.

Sandy Lyon

Sandy Lyon - December 15, 2017 at 11:50 AM

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“ Please accept my heartfelt condolences on the passing of Jean. She was a wonderful lady and co-worker of mine for a time who loved life and nature. She will be missed.

Alma Lynch

Alma Lynch - December 14, 2017 at 03:17 PM

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“ Hopefully she getting her free coffee.

Geanine Lehmann - December 14, 2017 at 09:49 AM