



Ruth Jean Fluharty

June 16, 1939 - January 21, 2025

Ruth Jean (Barnhart) Fluharty was born on Friday June 16th 1939 and crossed from this world into eternal life with the Lord on Tuesday January 21st 2025. Her family and friends will miss her but rejoice in knowing that her husband of 63 years Bob Fluharty, her parents Harold and Laura Barnhart, her sister and brother-in-law Betty and DeLloyd Barkely, and a great number of other family members who preceded her were there to welcome her home.

Ruth's greatest joy came from being with family members, especially her grandchildren and great grandchildren. She also enjoyed playing the piano and organ at church services, camping, crafting, painting ceramics, and even crabbing.

She is survived by her two sons and their families - Michael and his wife Ginger and Jeffrey and his wife Jeanine and six grandchildren - Michael Jr. and his wife Katherine, Allison; Jonathan, Justin, Julianna, and Jillian - and two great grandchildren Nicholas and Finn.

Ruth and Bob moved to Clinton Maryland in 1974 and attended Melwood Church of the Nazarene. The last few years of their lives were spent at the Charleston Senior Living facility in Waldorf Maryland. Their primary caregiver was Ms. Cathy Kelton but there were many others who took great care of Bob and Ruth and treated them like they were their own family. We want to

recognize Cathy and all the other caregivers and say thank you from the bottom of our hearts. Through COVID, Parkinsons, and Dementia you were their lifeline to normalcy.

Friends will be received Friday, February 14th, 2025 from 10:30 am - 12:30 pm followed by a memorial service at Raymond Funeral Home, 5635 Washington Avenue LaPlata Maryland 20646. The service will be officiated by her nephew, the Reverend Larry Barkley of Weirton West Virginia. Ruth will then be laid to rest with her husband Bob at Cheltenham Veterans Cemetery, 11301 Crain Highway Cheltenham Maryland 20623.

A repast will be held immediately following interment at a location to be determined. All are welcome to attend.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial contributions be made "In memory of Ruth Fluharty" to Melwood Church of the Nazarene, 6906 Woodyard Road Upper Marlboro Maryland 20772.

Tributes may be shared with Ruth's family at Raymond Funeral Service, P.A.

Cemetery Details

Cheltenham Veterans Cemetery

11301 Crain Hwy
Cheltenham, MD 20623

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 14. 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM (ET)

Raymond Funeral Service , P.A.
5635 Washington Avenue
La Plata, MD 20646

Service

FEB 14. 12:30 PM (ET)

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Interment

FEB 14. 2:30 PM (ET)

Cheltenham Veterans Cemetery
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Cheltenham, MD 20623

Tribute Wall



“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Jenny Jackson - February 14, 2025 at 12:05 PM



“ Michael and Regina Saizan purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Ruth Jean Fluharty.



Michael and Regina Saizan - February 13, 2025 at 12:00 PM



“ From: Michael and Regina Saizan planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ruth Jean Fluharty.

Michael and Regina Saizan - February 13, 2025 at 12:00 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Ruth Jean Fluharty.



February 12, 2025 at 10:17 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Ruth Jean Fluharty.

February 12, 2025 at 10:17 AM



“ Conny & Bill Hamilton and Carole Ryder purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Ruth Jean Fluharty.



Conny & Bill Hamilton and Carole Ryder - February 07, 2025 at 07:02 PM



“ Ruth was an integral part of my life starting in 1979 when I met her son Mike. She and Bob included me in family dinners at home and restaurants, invited me to travel with them, welcomed me at all holiday celebrations, and treated me as a daughter, not a daughter-in-law. We had many good family years together and although I am saddened at losing her, I know she is most assuredly happier being reunited with Bob who we lost in 2022. Rest in Peace, Ruth. You are loved.



Ginger Fluharty - February 01, 2025 at 03:47 PM