



Debby Ritenour-Crawford

August 5, 1954 - March 4, 2026

The staff of Heishman Funeral Home/Valley Funeral Service sends condolences to the family of Ms. Debby Ritenour-Crawford.

Debby Ritenour-Crawford, 71, of Woodstock, Virginia, peacefully entered the arms of her loving Savior on Wednesday, March 4, 2026, at Winchester Medical Center with her devoted husband by her side.

Deb was born in Shenandoah County on August 5, 1954. She spent her childhood years in Fishers Hill. Her entire adulthood was joyfully lived out in the Woodstock area. For the past few years, she has also enjoyed time in her "cabin" in Bunker Hill, WV.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Peggy Runion; father, Irvin Crawford Tevault, Sr; stepmother, Flossie Loretta Grady; and brother, Irvin Crawford Tevault, Jr.

Deb is survived by her loving husband of 25 years, Chip Crawford of Woodstock. Her brother, Glenn Tevault of Toms Brook. Her sister, Sissy Tevault of Strasburg; Her sister-in-law, Cathie Rollison and husband George of Roanoke, and her other sister-in-law, Lori Coe of St. Luke. She is also survived by her 1st husband and still great friend, Steve Ritenour of Woodstock.

She leaves behind special nieces and nephews, many dear friends and countless brothers and sisters in Christ in the family of God.

Deb had a very successful career in commercial real estate development. She got her start with Aileen in Shenandoah County. She then worked many years for Charter Oak Partners, owners of Factory Stores Outlet Centers based out of Tysons Corner, VA. She was eventually hired by Tanger Outlet Centers based out of Greensboro, NC, where she finished her career until retirement.

Deb always loved beauty pageants and was once 1st runner up in a local Miss Virginia pageant. She also loved dancing and spent a season in her life as a semi-professional ballroom dancer.

While she had many wonderful accomplishments in life, what stood out the most about her was the love she had for her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. A love so strong, it touched everyone that came into her path. Her greatest joy on this earth was found in serving Him. That joy increased even more during the past 25 years in being able to faithfully serve God alongside her husband. The love she had for Chip, mirrored the love of God...unconditionally full of grace and strength. She was Chip's biggest fan, supporter and encourager... and together, they have lived out the calling of ministry on his life.

Chip always said of Deb, that next to Jesus, she was the greatest gift that God had ever given him. There is no doubt when Deb was ushered through the gates of heaven, into the very presence of God, she clearly heard the words we all should long to hear, "Well done, good and faithful servant".

The family will receive friends Friday night, March 20, 2026, from 6-8pm at Heishman Funeral Home, 159 N. Main St., Woodstock, VA 22664

Celebration of Life will be Saturday, March 21, 2026, 1pm at Bunker Hill Brethren In Christ Church, 9203 Winchester Ave, Bunker Hill, WV 25413.

Pastor Chip Crawford and Pastor Kelly Day will be officiating.

Memorial contributions can be made to Bunker Hill Brethren In Christ Church.

Online condolences may be left at www.valleyfs.com

Arrangements by Heishman Funeral Home Inc., Heishman Funeral Service Branch, Woodstock.

Previous Events

Receive Friends

MAR **20**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Heishman Funeral Service
159 N. Main St.
Woodstock, VA 22664
(540) 459-2199
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Celebration of Life

MAR **21**. 1:00 PM (ET)

Bunker Hill Brethren in Christ
9203 Winchester Ave
Bunker Hill, WV 25413

Tribute Wall

JS

“ Chip.....We send our deepest condolences in the loss of your wife, Deb. She was indeed an amazing lady who always had a smile on her face regardless of how she was feeling. She will be sadly missed by everyone who knew her. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. John & Sherry Smith

John and Sherry Smith - March 16 at 07:17 PM

WM

“ Weezer, Bridgett, Paige and Mackenzie purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Debby Ritenour-Crawford.



Weezer, Bridgett, Paige and Mackenzie - March 16 at 02:51 PM

GK

“ Chip, we are so sorry to hear of Debby's passing. It was heart warming to see that your little "cabin" in Bunker Hill brought her much joy. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time.

Gary and Barbie Kibler

Gary and Barbie Kibler - March 14 at 11:35 AM

FR

Chip and Family,
We are sooo sorry to hear of Debbie's passing!
May Father God wrap his arms around you all and bring you comfort at this difficult time in your lives.
Love, Floyd and Jean Ryman

Floyd Ryman - March 20 at 05:06 PM



“ *Prayer for Debbys Family!! Gods Favour*

Lennie Funkhouser - March 10 at 09:14 PM

CR

“ *Deb was my sister in law. She affectionately called me and my sister her “Sisters in Love”. She was so much fun. One year at Christmas she got us all matching shirts and we had a hysterical photo opp! She loved and supported my brother like no other. Her faith was infectious. So sad that she is no longer with us but rejoicing that she’s free of pain and dancing with the Angels. Love you Deb.*

Cathie Crawford Rollison

Cathie Rollison - March 10 at 06:53 PM

ND

Chip a Hoy! I am so sorry to hear about My Little Debbie Snack cake passing!! We had some great times together at church doing plays and praise and worship!! Deb was a great leader but most of all She was a super great friend!! love You and sending prayers!! We loved Deb and have great memories!! Hugs and Prayers for You!! love Doug and Norma

Norma Doman - March 20 at 04:52 PM

MH

“ *To of Our Sister In Christ , she was a kind ,caring, cheerful person and that we all will miss seeing of her smiles and the laughter as well. Most of all Karen and myself will miss having our luncheons at Kings Pizza Dinner and the conversations we all had. She was a Blessing to All of whom had met her. Mikie and Karen Himelright*

Mikie Himelright - March 10 at 11:27 AM

JB

Deb was a one in a million. I loved being around her and I loved our talks at night. She was full of wonderful advice no matter what it was about she had the best answer. Her love for God was very important to her and she shared that love with anyone she came in contact with. Deb had a heart of gold and was always thinking about everyone else and complementing everyone else even on her worst days. We know you're rejoicing in heaven and dancing pain free. We love you and will miss you!

Juanita Beasley - March 10 at 04:03 PM

DS

Debbie was such a living breathing example of forgiveness and unconditional love which never faltered upon people who may not of been worthy of it.

She was a joy to be around. I especially remember the way she related to children, lifting them up, making them to feel important, and using them in plays which she and her husband prepared for them.

I never saw her, when she was not a source of joy, and an uplifted to every soul she encountered.. This continued, even when she was living a life of disability from injuries. Her thoughts were never upon herself, but always for others. She was a remarkable source of comfort and support for anyone with a need.

Pray for Chip who can no longer receive the emotional support she always gave him. I can not imagine how much he must be longing for her kind words and for her touch. Oh Dear Jesus , comfort Chip and give him hope for a future blessed by God, as he draws near to God with greater dependence and intimacy with his Savior. And help Chip to receive all that you would have him to receive now in his time of grief and loss.

Donna Sacra - March 10 at 06:18 PM