



Peggy Zirkle

July 5, 1929 - February 13, 2019

Peggy Zirkle died on February 13, 2019 following a sudden heart attack that occurred on board the MS Queen Victoria at sea during her annual world cruise. She was born in Mt. Jackson, Virginia on July 5, 1929, the daughter of Gordon and Martha Bowman. Her husband, Roy R Zirkle, predeceased her in 1976. Peggy attended Radford University, graduated from the University of Maryland, and taught in Prince George's county schools for more than 30 years, retiring in 1982. She supported her beloved Terps in all their sporting endeavors, especially basketball. Peggy was an avid traveler who began sailing on Cunard liners in 1983 and cruised around the world many times. Her last port of call was Honolulu, where she was photographed beaming with pleasure as she sipped a Mai Tai in the sunshine on Waikiki Beach beside the Pacific Ocean. Many have said that Peggy was the Mom they would have chosen, after their own. Her pimento cheese was the best. She was loving, kind, and brought great joy to everyone who met her. Her beautiful smile could light up any room, and she knew how to throw a great party. Peggy Zirkle is survived by her lucky daughter, Pamela Zirkle, and countless friends who all feel fortunate to have shared her friendship and love. Friends may call at Gasch's Funeral Home, P.A., 4739 Baltimore Avenue, Hyattsville, MD on Saturday, March 16 from 1 to 3 and 5 to 7 p.m. and at Dellinger Funeral Home 5997 Main St. Mt. Jackson, VA on Monday, March 18 from 1 to 3 p.m. Interment private. Memorial contributions may be made in her name to the Terrapin Club Impact Fund; checks should be made payable to the UMCP

Foundation, 4603 Calvert Road, College Park, MD 20740, or the Salvation Army Prince George's County 4825 Edmonston Avenue, Hyattsville, MD 20781. Previous Events Visitation MAR 18. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)Dellinger Funeral Home Mount Jackson 5997 Main St. PO Box 63 Mt. Jackson, VA 22842 dfhmtj@shentel.net <https://www.dellingerfuneralhome.com>

Tribute Wall

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“ Dear Pam, I'm staying aboard the QE2 currently, and reflecting on how it was the very first place I was fortunate to be introduced to your mother Peggy and yourself. Over that crossing, and the following ten years I realised what special people you both were, and experienced the happiness and laughter your mother brought to any occasion. She will be greatly missed and my deepest sympathies are with you at this very sad time. However I am trying to remember the happy times too. Buckingham Palace, Bucklers Hard, Cape Town vineyards, jello & home made crab cakes at home in Berwyn Heights!....the smiles and laughter and happiness from such a wonderful lady I shall never forget. God bless you both. Paul
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MASON Paul - March 18, 2019 at 12:00 AM

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“ I LOVE you Peggy and will MISS you so much. You were such a joy to be around. I feel it a pleasure to have known you. And it is true I looked up to you as a mom. I lost my mom 36 years ago and having you into my life was such a joy. Rest in Peace my dear friend.. There really is no word to say what you meant to me.. Your smile will shine on forever. Best of friends, Paty

Paty Speiser - March 16, 2019 at 12:00 AM