



Merle M. Harrington

April 17, 1928 - February 8, 2023

Merle M. Harrington, age 94, of Newark, DE, passed away on Wednesday, February 8, 2023.

Born in Jamaica on April 17, 1928, and raised in Panama, she was the daughter of the late Leopold and Cora (Lindo) Simons. Merle worked as a food service manager at Christina School District for over 30 years until her retirement.

Merle could often be found in her kitchen; she loved to feed people and spent many hours cooking and baking. In her spare time, she enjoyed swimming at the Boys & Girls Club. Merle loved her family immensely, especially her grandchildren, and cherished her time spent with them.

In addition to her parents, Merle was preceded in death by her loving husband of 65 years, Warren Harrington. She is survived by her children, W. David Harrington (Joyce) of Bear and Bonnie King (Peter) of Rehoboth Beach; grandchildren, Kimberly Dietrich (Dave), Tara Schad (Brian), Jennifer King, and Courtney Bigler (Brett); and great-grandchildren, Meghan, Joshua, Jordan, Logan, Taylor, and Brentley.

All services will be held privately.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Merle's memory to a charity of the donor's choice.

Tribute Wall



“ Spicer - Mullikin Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Merle M. Harrington



Spicer - Mullikin Funeral Homes - August 25, 2025 at 05:07 PM

PM

“ Dear David and Bonnie:
So sorry to hear of the passing of your mom. I remember she and Mrs. Morgan were best friend's. I enjoyed the slide show.
It just seems like yesterday we were hanging out in the woods. Not too many original Brooksidiers still around.

Phyllis McGuire - February 25, 2023 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ We were both so sorry to hear about your mom. Prayers to you and your family. The picture are beautiful and she was a beautiful woman. Hugs to you Bonnie.

Sue and Neil Flanagan - February 17, 2023 at 12:00 AM

CD

“ Sending healing prayers and comforting hugs to my dearest, forever friend, Bonnie; You, Pete, and your Family are in my thoughts and prayers, as you mourn the passing of your Mom. I am so sorry for your loss and only wish you hope and healing at this very difficult time. Although it is a great loss, I am sure you can find solace in knowing your mom no longer suffers now that she is resting in eternal peace. Always remember the happy times and cherish those wonderful memories of your Mom. I remember spending so much time at your house as a young teenager, your mom’s beautiful smile and how she was always so kind to me! I will treasure those memories. May God Bless you and your Family and know that I will always be just a phone call away.
My Most Sincere Condolences,
Colleen (Deal)

Colleen Deal - February 17, 2023 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ Sending condolences along with hugs and prayers during this difficult time. I’m sure many happy memories have been shared with Merle throughout her many years on this earth.

Ben and Sarah Schad - February 17, 2023 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ As you mourn the loss of a very special mother and Mom Mom, may you find strength in all of your wonderful memories together. She will never be far from your heart. Thinking of you and your family during this time.

Cassandra Schad - February 13, 2023 at 12:00 AM

NS

“ So sorry for your great loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with the whole family.

Nancy Stevens - February 09, 2023 at 12:00 AM

KD

“ Grandma,

Kimberly Dietrich - February 09, 2023 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ So sorry for your loss. May you find strength knowing she had a very good life.

Dawn A - February 09, 2023 at 12:00 AM