



Ruby Lee Brubaker

December 25, 1929 - March 13, 2021

Ruby Lee Satchell Downing Brubaker passed away peacefully on Saturday, March 13, 2021 at the Acts Manor House Assisted Living facility where she made many friends. She loved her hometown of Chincoteague, her home in Delmar and her many trips to Ocean City.

She was the daughter of Anna Pettit Satchell and Roland Lee Satchell born in Chincoteague, Virginia on December 25, 1929.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband of 53 years, Alton R. "Dutch" Brubaker, Jr., brothers James N. Davis and Stewart L. Satchell, sisters Kathryn Pettit Satchell Rodgers, Mary Lou Satchell Mason, Lois Ann Satchell Hagen and step-son W. Dale Brubaker.

She is survived by children David P. Downing and wife Phyllis B. Downing, Donna L. Downing Thomas and husband Larry C. Thomas, and Debbie L. Downing Culver and husband, William R. Culver, II and step-daughter Gwen Brubaker Shedaker and husband Phillip Shedaker.

She is also survived by two life long friends, Jean Lyons of Orange Park, FL and Kathleen Carter of Columbia, SC.

In addition, she is also survived by the loves of her life, grandchildren-Stephen A. (Andy) Ross, Jr., Kathleen Ross Galloway, Amber Culver Walters, Melissa Brubaker, Tamara Ross Langthorn, Julie Downing Mann, Aaron D. Brubaker, Christina L. Downing, William R. (Bobby) Culver, III, and Donna Leigh Culver Stripling and 24 great-grandchildren.

She was most happy when around her family. She raised her children with

strict love and kept them in line. As a friend, she was always there for you. As a grandmother and great-grandmother, she knew how to spoil the children. She enjoyed reading, traveling, and singing. She performed as a nun in Community Players 'Sound of Music.' Spending summers at the family's house in Ocean City were especially enjoyable to her.

Volunteering was a rewarding part of her life, giving many hours to the American Heart Association and Peninsula Regional Medical Center. She was a member of St. Stephens United Methodist Church, Delmar, DE.

She worked at the English Grill, McCroys, Benjamins, Delmar Elementary, Johnny & Sammy's, Salisbury Mall Security and for Dr. Victor R. Ferkel. Early in her life, she worked for her uncle in Ocean City collecting money and delivering groceries.

She was a prolific greeting card sender. She was thoughtful with her cards, notes, well wishes and unselfish acts of kindness. She never met a person she couldn't have a conversation with or try to help.

The family would like to thank the staff at the Manor House, Bethany Wing, who went the extra mile to make her feel at home which she did.

Graveside services will be held on Saturday, March 20, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. at Springhill Memory Gardens, Hebron, Maryland.

Arrangements are in the care of Short Funeral Home in Delmar.

Cemetery Details

Springhill Memory Gardens

27260 Ocean Gateway
Hebron, MD 21830

Previous Events

Service

MAR **20**. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ Dear Gwen and Phil,
I am sorry to learn of the death of your Mom. As we are privileged to live longer we face these losses and sorrows. I read the beautiful tribute to Mrs. Brubaker. Sending my sincerest condolences,
Gerry Wood

Gerry Wood - March 26, 2021 at 02:33 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of
Ruby Lee Brubaker.



March 19, 2021 at 01:13 PM

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“ 39 years of memories...but what I wouldn't give for just one more day together. Shopping, people watching, or just watching her enjoy her great-grandchildren. Will miss her every day until we meet again! Love you so much Gigi!!!! 💜💜💜💜

Tami Langthorn - March 18, 2021 at 12:56 PM

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“ There are no words to describe this amazing lady. She was very loving, kind, witty, and most of all caring. She never missed a birthday, anniversary or any other special event without sending a card. Loved every minute I got to visit with her. You will be missed Aunt Ruby. Love you ❤️ Debbie

Debbie Syfert - March 18, 2021 at 11:36 AM



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March 16, 2021 at 11:58 PM



“ *Always there for my family, often knowing what was best. She will be missed by so many*

Donna Thomas - March 16, 2021 at 06:30 PM



“ *So many memories of Gigi...from Christmas morning birthdays to pony penning in Chincoteague to people watching in OC to watching Sound of Music together. Love you Gigi!*

Andy Ross - March 16, 2021 at 05:31 PM