



Wanda E. Lalande

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Wanda Elizabeth (Clemmer) Lalande, age 83 of Ocean View, DE, passed away on Wednesday, July 1, 2020 due to complications from her lifetime battle with rheumatoid arthritis. She was born in Marion, NC, on April 10, 1937, daughter of the late Puett and Rose Clemmer.

Wanda lived her entire youth in Marion and after high school attended Montreat College in Black Mountain, NC. It was there, in 1956, she was recruited to join the Navy Department workforce in Washington, DC. While living in DC, Wanda met Luke Joseph Lalande through her roommate, and they began dating in February of 1957. Luke was in the Royal Canadian Airforce at the time and was stationed at the Canadian Embassy in Washington, D.C. After a year-long courtship, they were married on June 28, 1958. The couple decided to remain in the Washington, DC area. Wanda's parents also moved to Washington D.C. to live their retirement near her and their grandchildren.

Wanda and Luke had 3 boys, Eric Joseph, Jeffrey Andrew, and Gregory Marc, and they settled in Northern Virginia to raise their family. While Luke worked to build a business, Wanda was a homemaker, raising the boys, getting involved in their activities, and volunteering for many roles in Cub Scouts, youth sports, PTA and others. She was a wonderful and very active role model for her boys who loved her dearly.

Wanda and the family spent many years vacationing in Bethany Beach, Delaware. In 1978, Wanda and Luke purchased their first home in the area to which they would eventually retire. In 1987, just before the birth of their first grandchild, they moved into the home that would become the center of their lives for the next 22 years. It was here, near Bethany Beach, Wanda would spend many summers with her 10 grandchildren, each one holding a special and unique place in her heart. It was also here where Wanda & Luke would join the Cripple Creek Country Club, and Wanda would become an avid golfer, winning several major tournaments.



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By 2009, Wanda's arthritis had taken a severe toll on her body, and she no longer could play the game she loved. Although her golfing had to end, her time with her family continued. For the past 11 years, Wanda was surrounded by her family and her loving husband through many joyful occasions, including 3 of her grandchildren's weddings.

Wanda was a loving and devoted wife, mother, grandmother, and friend. She was loved by many and will be deeply missed by all who knew her.

Wanda is survived by her beloved husband of 62 years, Luke Joseph Lalande; her sons: Eric (Catalina), Jeff (Teresa), and Greg (Mary); and her grandchildren: Christopher, Danielle Krotman (Zack), Natalie (Zack), Emily (Joey), Nicholas, Evan (Casey), Zachary, Luke, Nathan, and Trevor.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Friday, July 24, 2020 at 11:00 AM at St. Mary's Catholic Church Parish Center, 5222 Sideburn Road, Fairfax Station, VA. Interment will follow the Mass at St. Mary's Historic Church Cemetery, Fairfax Station Road and Route 123, Fairfax Station, VA.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests contributions in Wanda's memory to the American Arthritis Foundation, 1355 Peachtree Street NE, Suite 600, Atlanta, GA 30309, or [www.https://www.arthritis.org/ways-to-give/dm-donate](https://www.arthritis.org/ways-to-give/dm-donate).

Please sign the online guestbook located on the tribute page.





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Mass of Christian Burial

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 11:00 AM ET

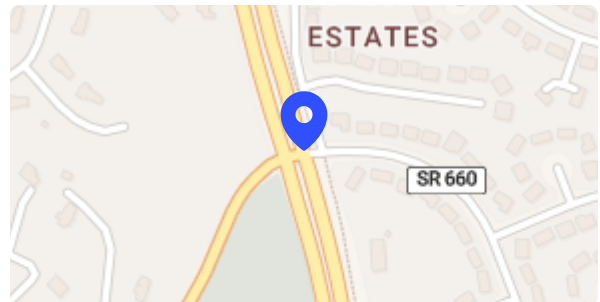
 **St Mary's Catholic Church Parish Center**
5222 Sideburn Road, Fairfax Station VA



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Fairfax Station Rd. & Rte. 123, Fairfax Station VA





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Anonymous sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Lalande family.

July 21 at 10:08 AM



Allen & Margie Krotman posted:

An amazing woman in an amazing family. She will be truly missed. Our condolences and love to the entire Lalande family.- Margie and Allen Krotman

July 20 at 4:16 PM



Anonymous sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Lalande family.

July 20 at 12:58 PM



Anonymous sent a Basket of Memories to the Lalande family.

July 17 at 6:59 AM



Judy Savage posted:

She was a great friend

July 13 at 5:47 AM



Anonymous sent a Basket Full of Wishes to the Lalande family.

July 10 at 6:11 AM





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William E Daniels lit a candle in honor of Wanda.

July 7 at 9:37 AM





Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Wanda by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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