



Norma Loraine Terrell

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Norma Loraine Terrell passed away today at the age of 96. She was born Norma Loraine Martin in Woodbury, New Jersey to her loving parents, Reita and Stanley Martin.

During her early years, she and her sister, Ida Mae, were raised in National Park, New Jersey. A later move was made to Wildwood, New Jersey, where Norma and Ida Mae finished their schooling, both graduating from Wildwood High School.

Norma became interested in acting and modeling. She studied for the theater, graduating from Leland Powers School in Boston, Massachusetts. As an apprentice, she was fortunate to perform in plays with Gloria Swanson, Dame Mae Whitty, and Diana Barrymore. Her interest also led her to modeling. She attended school in New York and graduated as a John Robert Powers Model. Although both careers offered her a future, it was not her destiny.

She met a Marine coming home from World War II and married Curtis Arthur Taylor. They had two children together, Curtis Martin Taylor and Karen Loraine Taylor. Both acting and modeling careers were now over for her, but Norma was very happy in this new role of wife and mother. During this period of her life, Norma became interested in writing poetry and short children stories. She also became engrossed in painting and leaves a variety of her artistic works.

Life changed again when her husband Curtis Taylor died, leaving her with a trucking company to run. These were hard times, but as Norma frequently remarked, "you do what you have to do."

Three years later, she met and married another military man, James McClain. After many years of a happy life he also died, leaving her alone again. Her positive mind had to adjust once more, and she continued her active life, painting and writing, playing bridge, being a member of Cape Henlopen Elks, as well as doing volunteer work for Beebe Hospital.



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Four years later, she met and married her third military husband, Captain Thomas J. Terrell, USMC Ret. It was a very happy, compatible marriage and one that they both thought was destined to be.

Norma was a Christian and a member of Groome United Methodist Church in Lewes, Delaware. As she goes to be with the lord, she leaves behind her husband, Captain Thomas Terrell; her son, Curtis Taylor; her daughter, Karen Taylor; five grandchildren; and eleven great grandchildren.

When life on earth has ended
And happy thoughts bring memories, Live them over once again,
And remember me.

Funeral Services will be held on Friday, March 31, 2023, at 11:00 AM at Parsell Funeral Homes & Crematorium, Atkins-Lodge Chapel, 16961 Kings Highway, Lewes, DE. where viewing will begin at 9 AM until service time. All are invited to attend the service via live-stream by visiting <http://www.parsellfuneralhomes.com/obituaries/permalink/10946915/LTWebcast>

A viewing will also be held at Givnish Funeral Home, 1200 US-130, Cinnaminson, NJ, on Wednesday, April 5, 2023, from 9 :00 AM to 11:00 AM, followed by a graveside service at Lakeview Memorial Park, 1300 RT-130N, Cinnaminson, NJ.

Memorial contributions may be made to www.accentcare.com/community-outreach-foundations/.

Please sign the virtual guestbook located on the tribute page.



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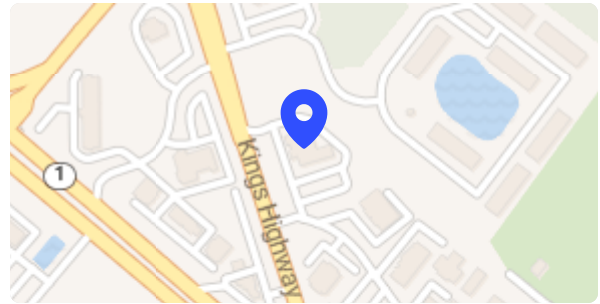
First Viewing

 **Friday**, March 31, 2023

 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM ET


 **Parsell Funeral Homes & Crematorium-Atkins-Lodge Chapel**

16961 Kings Highway, Lewes DE 19958



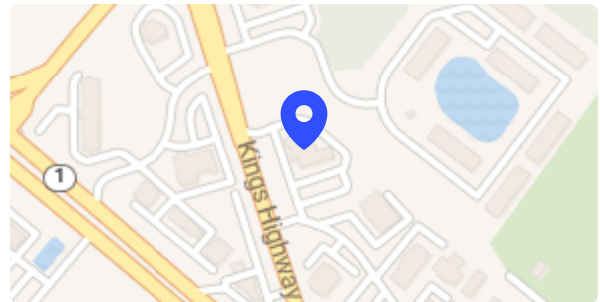
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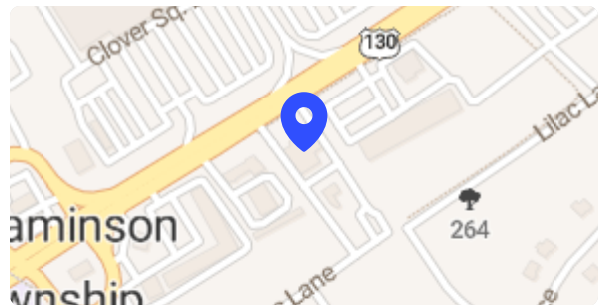


Second Viewing

 **Wednesday**, April 5, 2023


 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM ET

 **Givnish Funeral Home**
1200 US-130, Cinnaminson, NJ, Cinnaminson NJ
08077



Graveside Service

 **Wednesday**, April 5, 2023

 11:30 AM ET

 **Lakeview Memorial Park**
Cinnaminson NJ



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Parsell Funeral Homes & Crematorium shared a **Webcast Video**.



March 29 at 4:55 AM



Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Terrell family.



April 4 at 4:22 AM



Barbara Mullin posted:

My condolences to Norma's husband and family. Played Bridge cards with Norma for many years and she was my neighbor here in Plantations. Loved her obituary where I learned she was an actress and artist in her past. She was a lovely person.

March 31 at 1:10 PM



Kathryn A Mckenzie posted:

I met Norma when she became a member of the Village Improvement Association of Rehoboth Beach. I remember her as a lovely, quiet, resourceful lady. Deepest sympathy to the family, Kate McKenzie

March 30 at 6:59 PM



Maryann Fry (Friend) posted:

Sincere Sorrow for the passing of Norma. She truly was a Great Women. I have many happy memories of Her. Sending prayers to her and for Tom.

March 30 at 2:24 AM



Anonymous sent a Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet to the Terrell family.



March 29 at 2:28 PM



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Anonymous sent an Arrive in Style to the Terrell family.

March 29 at 7:42 AM



Anonymous sent a Large Basket Garden to the Terrell family.

March 29 at 7:37 AM





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



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