



# Laura Ellen Jacob

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**L**aura Ellen Jacob, age 78, of Millsboro, DE, passed away peacefully on Friday, October 11, 2024, at Atlantic Shores Nursing Home, surrounded by her loving husband and daughter after a courageous three-year battle with dementia.

Laura was born on April 22, 1946, in New Brunswick, NJ, to Rosalyn (Schwartz) and Harold Bank. She graduated from Tufts University, where she earned her degree in occupational therapy. Laura married Henry Jacob on July 2, 1967, at Maplewood Manor in Maplewood, NJ.

Throughout her career, Laura made a significant impact as an occupational therapist. She started working as a specialist in cardiac care before spending her last 23 years of employment at Ivy Mount School. During her final years of employment, Laura served as the head of assistive technology. Her dedication to helping others was evident in all aspects of her life.

In addition to her professional accomplishments, Laura had a passion for knitting, crocheting, and sewing. She loved to read and played the piano. She cherished the time spent kayaking with her husband, Hank, creating lasting memories together. Laura called kayaking, “Active meditation.”

Laura will be remembered for her kindness, creativity, her infectious smile and unwavering spirit. She leaves behind a legacy of love and inspiration to all who knew her.

In addition to her parents, Laura was predeceased by her daughter-in-law, Kathy Jacob, Neal’s first wife. She is survived by her husband, Henry “Hank” Jacob; her daughter, Ronni Lynne Jacob; her son, Neal Jacob (Neal’s wife, Caren Appleby) of Front Royal, VA; her grandchildren that brought her great joy: Nathanael Jacob, Charis Elizabeth Patrick, former Jacob (Charis’s husband Noah Patrick,), and Aerial Jacob; and her step grandson, Christopher Appleby.

A Celebration of Life will take place in April 2025 in Delaware. Please contact Hank at [hank@jacobfam.net](mailto:hank@jacobfam.net) if you wish to attend.



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The family would like to express their heartfelt gratitude to the staff at Atlantic Shores Nursing Home and the staff at Delaware Hospice for their compassionate care.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Delaware Hospice, 100 Patriots Way, Milford, DE 19963.

Please sign the virtual guestbook located on the tribute page.



## Tribute Wall

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**Randy Rosenblum** posted:

Working together with Laura at Ivymount was treasured time~ for those of who worked there for decades worked as a Family. Laura was such a ray of sunshine ~ so warm and caring!And when we both retired we were then living in DE and enjoyed each other there. She will be deeply missed by so many of us who were so fortunate to have her in our hearts and livesOh heartfelt condolences are sent to Hank, Ronni and Neal and Family for the deep loss of your incredible Wife, Mom and Grandma.With Lots of Love~ randy and david

October 18 at 12:15 PM



# Memories only last if you share them

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



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