



Grace Lee Poates

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Grace Lee Bourne Poates was called home by the Lord on Thursday, November 9, 2017.

Grace graduated from Falmouth High School in 1948, and was a member of the Falmouth Varsity Softball team.

She retired from the Spotsylvania Commissioner of Revenue in 1999 and was a member of Zion Methodist Church.

Grace supported our veterans and law enforcement. She served as the Commander of the Ladies Auxiliary for the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 10546; and also served as the President of the Fraternal Order of Police Auxiliary #15. Grace was a member of U.S. Air Force, 3rd Air Force (USAFE) 3rd Hospital Group/7510th U.S. Air Force Hospital, Wimpole Park England Reunion Association.

Grace is survived by her son, Virgil Lee Abel, Jr. and his wife, Maria; her stepsons, Carl E. Poates, and Major Kevin Scott Poates and his wife, Jane; stepdaughter, Debra Ann Perry and her husband, Elwood (Mason "Woodie" Perry, Jr.); grandson, Ricky Abel; step-granddaughter, six step-grandchildren, Joseph "Joe" Perry and his wife, Andrea, Marie Johnson and her husband, Eric, Stefanie, Jaci and Kim Poates and Erika Schleigh; and six great grandchildren.

She was preceded in her death by her husband of 42 years, TSGT Percy C. Poates Jr. USAF Retired; and a grandson, Clifton Abel.

Grace will be remembered for her great cooking, love of family and a person who gave more to others and expected nothing in return.



Obituary

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Grace's family will receive friends from 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Monday, November 13, 2017 at Found and Sons Funeral Chapel, 10719 Courthouse Road, Fredericksburg. A graveside service will follow at 12:30 p.m. in Oak Hill Cemetery with Pastor Charles Bullock officiating.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Cancer Fund of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary Post #3103, Fredericksburg, VA and FOP Lodge #15 Auxiliary Fredericksburg, VA.

Condolences to her family may be shared online at foundandsons.com.

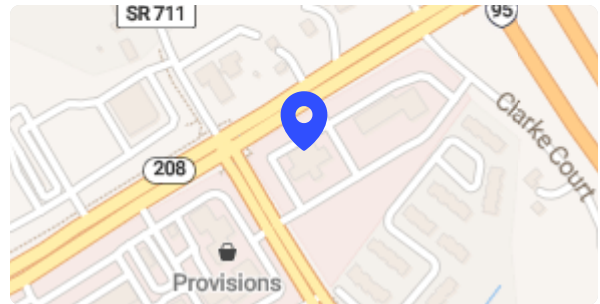


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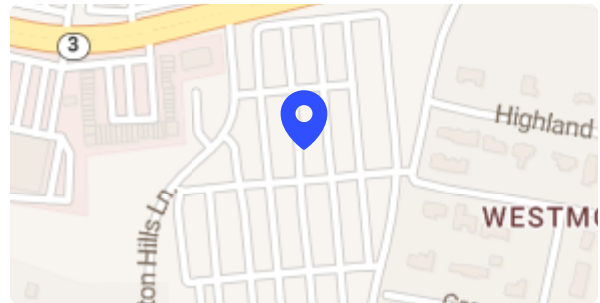
Visitation

- Monday**, November 13, 2017
- 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM ET
- Found and Sons Funeral Chapel of Fredericksburg**
10719 Courthouse Road, Fredericksburg VA 22407



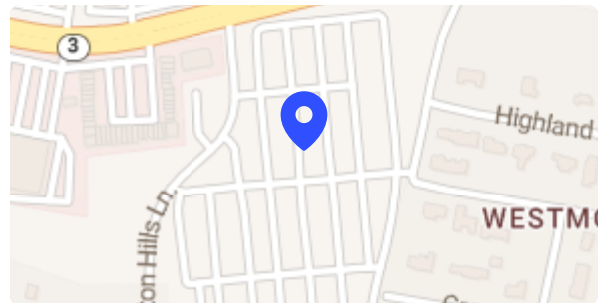
Graveside

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- 12:30 PM ET
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1902 Plank Road, Fredericksburg VA 22401



Cemetery Details

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RL

Rebecca L. Guy posted:

Lee and family~My sincere sympathy in the passing of your lovely mother. I have known Grace all my life, once saw her VERY frequently as we were growing up on adjoining farms and at New Hope Church when you were growing up but regretfully did not see her except sporadically once she remarried and moved to Spotsylvania. She has been such a wonderful mother, Christian and kind friend to so many that her reward in Heaven will be assured. "Let the circle be unbroken!" Becky [Young] Guy

November 15 at 3:17 AM

MD

Mary Drew lit a candle in honor of Grace.



November 13 at 5:01 PM

MM

Mike And Peggy Morgan posted:

Lee and family, We are so sorry for your loss of your mom. Our prayers and deepest sympathy are with you all. Mike and Peggy Morgan

November 13 at 10:16 AM

KS

Kathy Saunders Sartwell lit a candle in honor of Grace.



November 13 at 7:26 AM

LN

Lisa Newton lit a candle in honor of Grace.



November 12 at 8:20 PM

IC

Iris Chewing lit a candle in honor of Grace.



November 11 at 5:27 PM



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Anonymous sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Poates family.



November 11 at 4:58 AM



Jose A. Brown lit a candle in honor of Grace.

To the Poates Family, My deepest sympathy, extended condolences, prayers and thoughts are with each of you during your bereavement. Keep the faith! Jose A. Brown



November 10 at 8:12 PM



Jose A. Brown lit a candle in honor of Grace.

To Carl and the Poates Family, I was saddened to hear of the passing of your mother who was not just a wonderful person but great grandmother and grand. She always had something positive to say to me and I will always cherish her love and friendship. I thank God for people like her who treated others with respect and never had anything bad to say about anyone. Carl, your mother Grace was a wonderful person and will be greatly missed by all that knew and loved her. She along along with her late husband Percy were dedicated individuals who worked very hard to make the lives of others within the Spotsylvania County Community better. As an auxiliary lady/person with the FOP, Grace and Percy worked tirelessly to make the Rappahannock Lodge #15 what it is today. They both dedicated their lives toward providing for and taking care of the men and women in uniform. This would not only include members of the FOP but the VFW as well. Both will be greatly missed! Family, keep looking up and look to Jesus who is the author and finisher of our faith. Grace has gone from labor to reward! My prayers and thoughts are with each of you and will continue to be in your direction, in the days, weeks and months to come. Dea. Jose A. Brown Ret-USSS/PPD



November 10 at 1:49 PM

DE **Debbie** November 11 at 4:52 PM
Sharing this about my mother.....



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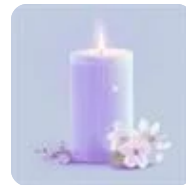
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Joyce Mills Wright lit a candle in honor of Grace.

We are so sorry to hear of Grace's passing. Grace was a very special lady that always greeted others with a smile, an understanding listen ear and a warmth of friendship to all. Grace was loved by all she met. One special lady! RIP and fly high with the angels!Richard and Joyce Wright



November 10 at 1:49 PM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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