



## Reva Emmalene Dyer

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Reva Emmalene Dyer passed away on June 26, 2021 at her home in Blacksburg, VA with her loving children by her side.

Emmalene was born in Big Isaac, West Virginia on September 13, 1933 and grew up in Salem, West Virginia. She graduated from Salem High School in 1951. She attended and graduated from Medical College of Virginia School of Nursing, Richmond, Virginia with a RN degree in 1954. She met Ray Dyer Jr., and was married 50 years. Emmalene was preceded in death by Ray Dyer Jr., her husband; Lena and Raymond Goldsmith, her parents; Jennings Goldsmith, her brother; Marion Goldsmith, her sister-in-law; Dennis Gloeckner, her brother-in-law; Buster Goldsmith, her nephew. She is survived by her sister, Shirley Goldsmith Gloeckner, her children, Ray Dyer III and daughter-in-law, Vincent Rawlings Dyer; Charlotte Dyer Dooley and son-in-law, Kirk Dooley; Scott Dyer and daughter-in-law, Stacey Holland Dyer; grandchildren, Doug Dyer, Hayley Dyer, Catherine Dyer, Taylor Dyer Dressler and husband, Al Dressler, Connor Dyer, Maggie Dooley, Kellis Dooley. Emmalene is survived by nieces Cheryl Goldsmith and husband, Jack Plotkin; Denise Gloeckner Bryson and husband, Phil Bryson; Emily Gloeckner and son, Jackson Price; Heather Juarez and children Thomas Juarez and Aiden Juarez.

Emmalene and Ray moved to Blacksburg in 1960 and she helped her husband through 35 years in various roles at times, including office manager and nurse of his medical practice. Emmalene also volunteered in the community with various organizations and thru donations helped support various local charities. She was a member of Blacksburg United Methodist Church and Blacksburg Country Club. Emmalene was active in four bridge clubs and was an avid supporter of the Hokies. She loved raising her children and told them, “always be kind to one another and no bickering.” Emmalene’s favorites included family gatherings and visits, annual beach trips, red roses, her weimaraner and dachshund dogs.

In Emmalene’s later years she focused on family, long-time friends, faith and her church, supporting favorite charities, watching all the Hokie football and basketball games, playing bridge and reading several books each week and the daily newspaper. Emmalene’s family is very thankful for the wonderful care given at LewisGale Hospital Montgomery, care

given by Carilion Clinic Hospice and Traci's Caregivers.

There will be a memorial service for Emmalene at Blacksburg United Methodist Church at 11 am on June 29, 2021 with a reception immediately following. In lieu of flowers, the family would be grateful if donations are offered to Carilion Clinic Hospice - NRV ([give.carilionfoundation.org/donate-now](https://give.carilionfoundation.org/donate-now) - designate New River Valley Hospice) or Blacksburg United Methodist Church (<http://www.blacksburgumc.org>). Online condolences may be made by visiting McCoy Funeral Home website, [mccoyfuneralhome.com](http://mccoyfuneralhome.com). Here is the Youtube link for Emmalene Dyer memorial service on Tuesday.

<https://youtu.be/2sn8GfqjzMU>



# Comments

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“ She was more Than just an aunt in my family...She was a force....A force of love, strength, and support...She was always there for my family in times of need over the years. I have so many fond memories of her and will miss my visits with her greatly. My husband jack also dearly loved her and every visit in the past 20 years she and he engaged in political debates, which was quite entertaining as they came from different sides. I will miss her phone calls on my birthday as she always remembered. She was a very special lady not just to me but to many and her Kindness and strength Will live on through us. I was truly blessed to have her for an aunt!! She may be gone from here but her light will continue to shine upon us from where she is now through all of our wonderful memories of her...Rest easy Aunt Emmy and we will see you on the other side, love you always, Cheryl & Jack



**cheryl goldsmith** - June 29 at 09:02 PM

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“ I have such fond memories of Mrs. Dyer. VT football games, the office, or the open houses. So sorry for your loss. Thoughts and prayers are with you all.  
Mary Price and Jenny Kellinger

**Jenny Kellinger** - June 29 at 05:49 PM

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“ So sorry for your loss, my mom (Nettie Willard) talked fondly of her after their Monday bridge club gatherings. I can just see the two of them, along with other members who have left this earth, playing bridge once again.

**Julie Willard** - June 28 at 09:45 PM

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“ Dr Dyer and Mrs Dyer was my family doctor though half of my life ! I loved both of them very much ! They went above and beyond to help my family and the community! They will always be missed by me I always have fond memories of both ! God bless you prayers for peace and comfort!

**Teresa Surface Sheppard** - June 28 at 07:43 AM

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“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Reva Emmalene Dyer.



June 27 at 07:49 PM