



## Arlene Echols Skurupey

October 18, 1943 - January 15, 2021

Arlene Echols Skurupey, age 77, of Blacksburg died, Friday, January 15, 2021, at her home. She was born in Blacksburg, Va. on October 18, 1943 to the late Paul B. And Mamie Dillon Echols. She was preceded in death by her husband, Fred Skurupey, a son, Greg Skurupey, three brothers, Gale Echols, Shirley Echols, Mitchell Echols. She was a member of Slussers Chapel Church of God, as well as very active in Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts. She is survived by her daughter, Jodi Skurupey, son and daughter-in-law, Reggie and Wendy Skurupey, daughter-in-law, Kathryn Tidwell, grandchildren, Logan, Sheridan, Abria, Adam, Dillon, Ashton, Cameron, Matthew, great-grandchildren, Jack, Gabriella, Gregory, special sister-in-law, Ruth Echols, several nieces, nephews and other relatives, special friend, Sheena, special caregivers, Janna Anderson, Allen Linkous, Doris Smith, Frances Burton. Funeral service will be conducted Monday, January 18, 2021 at 2:00pm in the McCoy Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Richard Gilbert officiating. Interment will follow in the Westview Cemetery, Blacksburg. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Jodi Skurupey, in order to establish a sports scholarship fund in Arlene's name. The family will receive friends from 12-2:00pm Monday prior to the service. Arrangements by McCoy Funeral Home, Blacksburg.

# Cemetery Details

## Westview Cemetery

723 E. Roanoke Street  
Blacksburg, VA

# Previous Events

## Service

JAN 18. 2:00 PM (ET)

McCoy Funeral Home Chapel  
150 Country Club Dr S.W.  
Blacksburg, VA 24060

# Tribute Wall

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“ Jodi - My first memories of your mother are when you were 4 years old and in my preschool class. You were such a dear little girl with a sweet loving mother. My thoughts and prayers are with you during this time of sadness and remembering.

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**Evalin Trice** - January 19, 2021 at 07:03 AM

LM

“ Arlene was a wonderful person, wife, mother and grandmother that I had the good fortune to know. My heartfelt sympathy.  
Larry Miller

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**Larry Miller** - January 18, 2021 at 11:26 AM

SR

“ Arlene always taught me a lesson about life. Her strength she had when her son Greg passed. She said Sheena I can handle it a little better because it could have been worse if he had been sent off and we wouldn't have known what happened to him. The warriors trucking company would pull in at work and she'd say my boys looking out for me. Letting me know he's there thinking of me. She saw it a in positive ways. Loved God and life. The most faithful person I ever had the honor to meet. So you see, she was letting me know there is supposed to be a good out look in a bad situation . To stop feeling sorry for my self and let someone in that life is going to throw you but God would help us through. I love you and miss you. You were the best person God could have ever.put in my path. I thank God for you.

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**Sheena Reed** - January 18, 2021 at 10:33 AM

KW

*She was my Girl Scout leader in mid to late 60's . Our troupe had such a good time with her . She was just a beacon of light to others .*

**karen neighbors worrell** - January 27, 2021 at 05:15 PM



“ *Classic Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Arlene Echols Skurupey.*



January 18, 2021 at 10:00 AM



“ *Arlene always had a hug, smile and encouraging word. I will miss her sweet smile and warm hugs.*

**Cathy Williams** - January 17, 2021 at 05:54 PM

GL

“ *Condolences to the family of Arlene, she was a active member of the Coal Mining Heritage Association of Montgomery County. She will be sadly missed at our meetings & on Coal Miners Day. From PR Gary & R/S Peggy Linkous*



**Gary W. Linkous** - January 17, 2021 at 02:38 PM

MM

“ I am so sorry to hear about Arlene passing but she left many memories behind. I first met Arlene through Girl Scouting. My daughter, Anna Snider, and Jodi were in Arlene's Junior Troop. I became a co-leader with Arlene and we had lots of adventures. She made Camping a really fun experience and it is probably due to her that both my daughters went on to love the out of doors. It is also due to Arlene that I went on to become a GS leader. Thanks to her I learned a lot of outdoor skills which I passed on to girls in several troops over the years. Arlene had no idea how many girls have learn to love the out of doors and adventure because of her. Her willingness to work with young girl scouts set in motion experiences that continue to be passed down the generations. She certainly brought a lot of fun and joy to many of us.

We are thinking of you.  
Margaret (Snider) McQuain ,

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**Margaret Posey McQuain** - January 16, 2021 at 03:02 PM



“ Classic Sympathy Basket Arrangement was purchased for the family of Arlene Echols Skurupey.



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January 16, 2021 at 12:26 PM

DB

“ Daphne Bradley lit a candle in memory of Arlene Echols Skurupey



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**Daphne Bradley** - January 16, 2021 at 12:12 PM

DB

*Arlene and Fred were such a special couple, a couple I admired and I am so glad I knew them. She was certainly a great influence and I know she will be missed. Prayers for all her family and friends.*

**Daphne Bradley** - January 16, 2021 at 12:15 PM



“ *Pink & White Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Arlene Echols Skurupey.*



January 16, 2021 at 12:02 PM



“ *Healing Tears - Blue and White was purchased for the family of Arlene Echols Skurupey.*



January 16, 2021 at 11:06 AM

CC

“ *Curtis Carrico lit a candle in memory of Arlene Echols Skurupey*



**Curtis Carrico** - January 16, 2021 at 10:24 AM



“ *Healing Tears - All White* was purchased for the family of Arlene Echols Skurupey.



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January 16, 2021 at 10:18 AM



“ *Springtime Wishes* was purchased for the family of Arlene Echols Skurupey.



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January 16, 2021 at 09:22 AM



“ *Healing Tears - Blue and White* was purchased for the family of Arlene Echols Skurupey.



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January 16, 2021 at 09:03 AM

JJ

“ To all the family, I only got to meet Arlene a couple of times but had talked to her on the phone. She was one of the sweetest people I ever knew, she treated everyone with love and respect and she made the world a better place. I'm so sorry for your great loss but also glad Arlene's suffering is over. She was a very special person and I am honored to have known her, I just wish I could have seen her again before she passed. She loved her family dearly and was totally dedicated to their happiness and well-being. Now she will be reunited with her birth family and Fred and Greg, she will be able to rest in peace in God's hands now. Thank you for sharing her with others. She loved you all very very much.

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**Joyce M. Jeffries** - January 15, 2021 at 10:14 PM