



## Mary Joyce Stevens

April 29, 2025

Mary Joyce Stevens, age 95, long-time resident of Christiansburg, VA, cherished wife, devoted mother and loving grandmother, departed her earthly life on April 29, 2035 at Kroontje Health Care Center. She was predeceased by her parents, Reece B. Matthews and Blanche B. Matthews; brother, Jack L. Matthews; husband, Bruce E. Stevens; brother-in-law, Rodrick B. Stevens; sisters-in-law, Loraine B. Stevens, Dorothy O. Stevens and Evelyn Stevens. Survivors include daughter, Susan Stevens-Mauldon and husband Matthew Mauldon of Blacksburg, VA, grandson, James E. Huckle of Roanoke, VA, brother, James W. Matthews and wife Carolyn of Salem, VA; brothers-in-law Richard L. Stevens of Raleigh, NC, and Samuel R. Stevens of Roanoke, VA; and 5 nieces and 3 nephews.

Mary Joyce was a graduate of William Fleming High School and National Business College, Roanoke. She was a talented pianist and lively conversationalist. Serving in the Montgomery County School system for many years, Mary Joyce helped staff the front desk at Christiansburg High School and was secretary for the Guidance Office. Mary Joyce and husband Bruce were active members of St. Paul Methodist Church in Christiansburg, and enjoyed singing in both the church choir and the Joy Singers. In retirement she worked as a hospital volunteer, poll worker, Lions Club member and avid supporter of her grandson's activities. Her faith, her family and her friends were the center of her life.

The family will receive friends on Friday, May 2, 2025, from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. at McCoy Funeral Home, Blacksburg, with graveside service to follow at 2 p.m. at Sunset Cemetery, Christiansburg, Rev. Mike Derflinger officiating.

The family wishes to express their heartfelt gratitude and thanks to the staff at Willows II, Kroontje, for the outstanding care and friendship they provided to Mary Joyce.

The family respectfully requests memorials be directed to Warm Hearth Foundation, 2387 Warm Hearth Drive, Blacksburg, VA 24060.

# Cemetery Details

## Sunset Cemetery

501 S. Franklin Street  
Christiansburg, VA

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 2. 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM (ET)

McCoy Funeral Home  
150 Country Club Dr. S.W.  
Blacksburg, VA 24060  
(540) 552-3211  
mccoyfuneralhome@verizon.net  
<https://mccoyfuneralhome.com>

## Graveside Service

MAY 2. 2:00 PM (ET)

Sunset Cemetery  
501 S. Franklin Street  
Christiansburg, VA

# Tribute Wall

JB

“ Dear Susan

*Your Mom and Dad were dear friends to Wayne and I. First, we knew them as neighbors on Summit Ridge Rd. We lived at 330 between the Charlton's and the Williams and they were very welcoming to us when we moved in. Of course Bruce worked at the School Bd then and Mary Joyce at CHS keeping the registers. One memory of your dad was on a snowy morning, as I held my breath while he climbed up on an icy roof to fetch my daughter's cat (which the cat that often times would climb on the roof). My daughter refused to go to school until the cat was down.*

*As for your mom, we came good friends at the high school and remained so until she died even after she retired and would ride to our retiree lunches as long as she was able and until she began to say " I really don't know the newer teachers anymore. She amazed me with her ability to remember facts and of course her great sense of humor. She really loved to laugh and quite entertaining and always bragged on you, your husband and Jay. She will be missed. Sincerely, Joyce and Wayne Bishop*

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**Joyce Bishop** - May 08, 2025 at 09:13 PM

SS

*Joyce and Wayne, I appreciate your remembrances, as well as the long history and friendship you had with Mom and Dad. Thank you!*

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**Susan Stevens-Mauldon** - May 09, 2025 at 09:32 AM

WD

“ It has been the upmost pleasure to have provided care and much love to marry I use to call her girlie or girlfriend and she always had a crack out of it within all of her endeavors I’m very blessed to have been apart of it I will miss her and will never forget that beautiful woman we love you Mary from everyone at warm hearth

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**wynter donat** - May 02, 2025 at 11:09 PM

SS

Wynter, Thank you for your kind words. Mom loved all of you at the Warm Hearth and valued your friendship and your great care. She especially enjoyed teasing with all of you! We appreciate all that more than I can say.

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**Susan Stevens-Mauldon** - May 07, 2025 at 09:33 AM

MW

“ It was such a joy to provide care for Mary at KHCC. We will miss her and her wonderful sense of humor.



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**Mattie Taylor Wheeling** - May 02, 2025 at 08:08 PM

DH

“ Mary Joyce, you will be missed my long time friend, so many good memories.

*Hassell and Ruth Boothe  
& Family*



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**Daisy Hardenstine** - May 01, 2025 at 06:15 PM

SF

*My mom and dad loved Mr. and Mrs. Steven's and enjoyed their company. It is a pleasure to remember their wonderful friends. I know there are wonderful reunions in heaven now because so many of their gang is there! Sydney Woodyard Freese*

Sydney Woodyard Freese - May 04, 2025 at 09:39 AM

SS

*Thank you, Sydney, and I agree--the friendships shared among that 'gang' were special, and live on in our memories and in heaven, I'm sure.*

Susan Stevens-Mauldon - May 07, 2025 at 09:29 AM

SS

*Many thanks to the Boothe family for your tribute. Mom was so buoyed up by having Ruth nearby to visit at Kroontje. It was a real blessing for her. I'm sure they revisited those many good memories during their visits.*

Susan Stevens-Mauldon - May 09, 2025 at 07:16 PM

NC

*“ Mary Joyce contributed so much to the success of CHS front office and guidance department.  
I enjoyed many good times with her in the workplace and socially.*

Norma Cox - May 01, 2025 at 05:09 PM

SS

*Thank you for remembering! She so valued her co-workers and enjoyed the gatherings you had in retirement.*

Susan Stevens-Mauldon - May 07, 2025 at 09:36 AM

DF

“ *Debbie Francis lit a candle in memory of Mary Joyce Stevens*



Debbie Francis - May 01, 2025 at 04:57 PM

SS

*Thank you, Debbie.*

Susan Stevens-Mauldon - May 07, 2025 at 09:38 AM

VN

“ *Valanda Nelson lit a candle in memory of Mary Joyce Stevens*



Valanda Nelson - May 01, 2025 at 12:09 PM

SS

*Valanda, Thank you. Your folks and mine shared a long and wonderful friendship, especially your Mom and mine. I'd like to think they are having a good chin-wag now, catching up in heaven.*

Susan Stevens-Mauldon - May 07, 2025 at 09:41 AM