



## Virginia Hunting Cox

April 19, 1940 - April 4, 2023

VIRGINIA LEE HUNTING COX passed away on April 4, 2023. She was 82 years of age, being born in Grand Rapids, Michigan on April 19, 1940. She was predeceased by her fraternal grandparents, Lewis Morgan Hunting and Etta Tabitha Aldrich Hunting, and her maternal grandparents Claude Filmore Bishop and Violet Irene Vos Bishop, her parents George Marvin Hunting and Barbara Virginia Bishop Hunting Page, and brother George John Hunting. She was also predeceased by her husband and best friend Walter E. (Wally) Cox. She graduated from Rockford High School in Rockford, Michigan, and was also a graduate of George Mason University. She spent most of her life volunteering and serving on many boards and president of many others. Virginia served as president of the following organizations: The Washington and Lee Law Wives, The Junior Women's Club of Charlottesville, VA, the AAUW Branch in Bedford, VA, the Women's Club of Bedford, the Bedford Hospital Auxiliary, the Bedford Area Family YMCA Thrift Shop which she helped organize, The Blacksburg Newcomers and the Chautauqua Opera Guild, Chautauqua, NY, P.E.O. Chapter AU (Philanthropic Educational Organization). She also served several times on the Board of the Episcopal Cottage of Chautauqua, NY. She had a very rich and full church life, usually being a member of an Episcopal Church and serving on the altar guilds of several of those churches.

Virginia and her husband spent many years doing genealogy research on their families which included much travel to visit the cities and homes of many

of their ancestors.

Virginia and her husband were both active in the Little Town Players of Bedford, VA. Her forte was running the box office, raising funds, and sometimes dressing a set and occasionally was on stage. Her favorite role was Ethel in "On Golden Pond". Virginia and her husband spent many summers at the Chautauqua Institution in Chautauqua, NY. They loved to introduce friends and family to this cherished Life Long Learning place. Virginia served on the Chautauqua Opera Guild Board, was President for two years and served on the Scholarship Committee of the Chautauqua Women's Club. Virginia and her husband spent a great deal of time traveling to all 50 States and many countries. After Wally died her new traveling companion was a childhood friend who was also a widow. Virginia loved to read and was a member throughout the years of several different book clubs. She was always in a bridge club and always told everyone she played "talking bridge"! More recently she joined a Mahjong group and enjoyed learning a new game. Many of her friends have samples of her needlework, either counted cross stitch, knitting, or needlepoint, She hopes ya'll saved them! Virginia thanks her many friends for making her life so full and rich, She leaves her family and friends with many stories of her adventures and mishaps, when you feel low, just think of one, and it will surely make you laugh again.

Virginia leaves behind to celebrate her life--- two children: Deanna Lynn Cox, son-in-law F. Hal Brown, grandson Eli E. Brown, and son Leonard C. Cox. She also leaves her two sisters: Patricia Jo Hunting Hendricks Smith and brother-in-law Fred Smith, Sandra Ann Hunting Peters Peters, brother-in-law Nolan Peters and Her Brother's wife, Denni Don Hunting. She also leaves behind her favorite cousins, Lesley Wells Gallatin and Bill Wells, and many nieces, nephews, and a host of good friends.

Services will be held at Christ Episcopal Church, 120 Church St. NE, Blacksburg, VA on April 22, 2023, at 1:00 pm with a reception following. A private inurnment will be at St. John's Episcopal Church in Bedford, VA at a later date. In lieu of flowers she requests that donations be made to the

Chautauqua Institution, P. O. Box 28, Chautauqua, NY 14722, or the Rockford Area Historical Society, 21 S. Monroe St., Rockford Michigan 49341, Christ Episcopal Church, 120 Church St. NE, Blacksburg, VA 24060, or a charity of your choice.

# Previous Events

## Funeral Service

APR **22**. 1:00 PM (ET)

Christ Episcopal Church  
120 Church Street NE  
Blacksburg, VA 24060

# Tribute Wall

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“ We were saddened to see this. Virginia was so gracious to let our daughter Kamryn Zimmer stay in her home while completing her internship at Virginia Tech. Thankful for her P.E.O., grace and sisterhood, and thinking of the family. Dave, Renae and Kamryn Zimmer (Nebraska)

Renae Zimmer - September 27, 2024 at 11:00 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Virginia Hunting Cox.



April 21, 2023 at 08:06 AM

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“ As neighbors of Virginia, in CHQ, we enjoyed her warm and friendly disposition. Her absence will be felt and her friendship will be missed.

Stacey Schlosser - April 12, 2023 at 12:42 PM

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“ Virginia was a real contributor to many Chautauqua friends and groups...How I shared with her is just one example  
PEO lunches  
Episcopal Chapel ushering  
Episcopal Cottage board - practically refurnishing the living room  
Chautauqua Opera Guild  
and I probably have forgotten something.....  
She was a joy and blessing to be with.....  
My Condolences.....Sallie Holder

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**Sallie Lou Holder** - April 12, 2023 at 11:23 AM