



## Lorraine Burchett Nicewonder

February 3, 1933 - October 11, 2023

Lorraine Burchett Nicewonder passed away October 11, 2023, after a long illness. She was born February 4, 1933, at Tarpon, Virginia to parents Walter and Dora Burchett. She is survived by her husband of 70 years, J.D.

Nicewonder, daughter Carolyn Nicewonder Beverly and her husband Frank Beverly, Jr. of Barboursville, Virginia; daughter Sherry Nicewonder and her son Nicholas Ozioli of McLean, Virginia; son Mark Nicewonder of Miami, Florida; and numerous nephews, nieces, grandnephews, and grandnieces.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Walter and Dora Burchett, her older brother Bernard Rakes and his wife Wanda Rakes, along with several cousins, nephews, and nieces.

Lorraine was a loving wife, mother, and grandmother, and a skilled, organized, and dedicated housewife. She loved to cook, loved to keep roses, was an avid reader, and she and J.D. were enthusiastic supporters of local athletic teams. Once her children left home to pursue their higher educations, one of Lorraine's most cherished achievements was to resume her own education while the children were also in college. She attended classes at Clinch Valley College (now UVA Wise) and picked up where she left off in Haysi by achieving excellent grades.

She and J.D. traveled widely, and those personally enriching experiences

were made even more fulfilling by offering the opportunity to collect gifts, mementos, and souvenirs to share with friends and family. In fact, gift giving was something that gave her great pleasure, and is reflective of the love and attention she lavished on others all her life.

The family gratefully thanks the medical staff at Ballad Health, including Dr. David Thompson as primary physician, the team at the Cancer Center, the Hospice care team, and all the other dedicated doctors and nurses who have cared for Lorraine. We are also forever indebted to the many personal caregivers who were so loving and devoted to Lorraine: Andrea, Angie, Anna, Carol, Diane, Donna, Hazelle, Jaqueline, Kem, Laura, Libby, Lisa, Mary, Mickie, Pam, Rachel, Sherrilynn, Sierra, and Teresa. We are also grateful to Greg and Mike for their love and support. These wonderful individuals have become like family and are a blessing in all our lives.

J.D. and Lorraine are long time members of the State Street Methodist Church and the North Naples Methodist Church in Naples, Florida. A funeral service will be held on Monday, October 16, 2023, at 2:00 pm, State Street United Methodist Church, 650 Valley Drive, Bristol, VA 24202 with Rev. Laura Rasor and Rev. Bruce Wilmoth officiating. The family will receive friends immediately following the funeral service at the clubhouse at The Virginian Golf Club.

Honorary Pallbearers will be R.L. Wallen, David Lester, Ken Farmer, Denny Farmer, Randy Rakes, Pat Rakes, Charles "Chuck" Overbey, Oakley Collins, Dr. Greg South.

In lieu of flowers the family request memorial contributions be made to the J.D. & Lorraine Nicewonder Cancer Center, 1 Medical Park Blvd., Bristol, TN 37620.

The family of Lorraine Burchett Nicewonder is being cared for by Farris

Funeral Service & Crematory, Main Street location, 427 E. Main Street,  
Abingdon, VA 276-623-2700.

To order memorial trees or send flowers to the family in memory of Lorraine  
Burchett Nicewonder, please visit our flower store.

# Previous Events

## Funeral Service

OCT **16**. 2:00 PM.

State Street United Methodist Church  
Bristol, VA

# Tribute Wall

CP

“ Sherry, Carolyn, Mark and family: I am so verry sorry for your loss. I remember your mother as such a kind person to everyone, and I remember playing golf with your mother and father several times in the summer evenings at Happy Valley.

*Please know that you are in my thoughts and prayers.*

*Clark*

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**Clark Phipps** - November 12, 2023 at 11:51 AM

MS

“ *Mary Etta Sumner lit a candle in memory of Lorraine Burchett Nicewonder*



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**Mary Etta Sumner** - October 17, 2023 at 12:04 PM

MS

*A wonderful kind lady. My family was friends, so blessed to have known, Mrs Nicewonder.*

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**Mary Etta Sumner** - October 17, 2023 at 12:04 PM

RR

“ *Regina Ross lit a candle in memory of Lorraine Burchett Nicewonder*



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**Regina Ross** - October 15, 2023 at 10:56 AM

SW

“ Sue Kiser Wiley lit a candle in memory of Lorraine Burchett Nicewonder



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**Sue Kiser Wiley** - October 15, 2023 at 08:15 AM

LL

“ The Nicewonders were neighbors and friends for the bigger part of my life through school. Excellent neighbors and I never had a cross word with any of the family. May God hold His hand upon the family during this time and know that one day we will be reunited in Glory with all.

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**Lee Lewis** - October 15, 2023 at 05:17 AM

JR

“ Jimmy,Rebecca(Jenkins)&Tyler Robinson lit a candle in memory of Lorraine Burchett Nicewonder



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**Jimmy,Rebecca(Jenkins)&Tyler Robinson** - October 14, 2023 at 11:27 PM