



Edith Johanne Crafton

April 20, 1934 - May 23, 2017

Edith Johanne Crafton, age 83 went to be with her Lord on Tuesday, May 23, 2017. She was born in Washington, D.C. to the late John W. Crow and Esther M. Bjorklin. She Graduated from Roosevelt High School in the District of Columbia and worked at Weaver Brothers Realty company. She met and married Leonard B. Tucker and moved to Silver Spring, Maryland. Here she was a homemaker and raised three children. She also worked part time as a school crossing guard and assistant librarian at Dennis Avenue Elementary School. Following her husband's death, she attended Lewis Hotel-Motel school and began a career in the hospitality field. She worked as a Secretary to Catering; Executive Manager's Secretary and Resident Manager Secretary at the Washington Hilton and was present the day President Regan was shot. She fielded telephone calls from around the globe to respond to the national tragedy.

Following her retirement, she moved to Ocean City, Maryland with her husband Phillip Crafton where she worked as a professional floral designer while also working at her own business "Sassy Silks". She pursued her interests of: sewing, dancing, swimming, crocheting, painting, creating art from shells, dolphin watching, and bowling. She served her church as altar guild member, Stephen's Ministry visitor, hostess to coffee fellowship and open kettle soup kitchen. She served on the Board of Directors for Montego Bay Mobile Home Park for one term. She volunteered at Worcester County Public Library and also assisted at the voting poles every election.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her two husbands, and sister Esther Crow Gallacher. She is survived by daughter Linda Tucker (Bruce) of Fredericksburg, Virginia; son Reverend John Tucker (Jeanne) of Salisbury, North Carolina; and daughter Nancy Thompson (Carl) of East Palatka, Florida; Grandchildren: Nicole Blalock, Wilmington, NC; Kelsey Binder, Brooklyn, NY; Kayla Tucker, Greensboro, NC; Zachary Tucker, Salisbury, NC and two great grandchildren. Stepchildren: Kelly Crafton Welch (Scott), Potomac, Maryland; Casey Crafton (Lisa), Bethesda, Maryland. Grandchildren: Matthew, and Blair; Christopher and McKenzie; Nieces Karen Alfors and Lueanne White and her cousins.

Funeral services will be held June 1, 2017 at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, Salisbury, NC led by Reverend Ed Harper. The family will greet guests at 10:00 am, Funeral service at 11:00. A viewing will be held in Silver Spring, Maryland at Collins Funeral on Saturday, June 3, 2017 from 11:00-11:30. Interment will be at Park Lawn Memorial Cemetery, Wheaton, Maryland at noon.

Memorial donations may be made to Marineland Dolphin Adventure 9600 Oceanshore Blvd. St. Augustine, FL 32080 or to Gloria Dei Lutheran Church 1908 Statesville Blvd. Salisbury, NC 28144.

Online condolences may be left for the family at www.summersettfuneralhome.com.

Summersett Funeral Home Salisbury, NC and Collins Funeral Home Silver Spring, MD are honored to be serving the Crafton family.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 1. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church
Salisbury, NC

Service

JUN 1. 11:00 AM (ET)

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church
Salisbury, NC

Tribute Wall

LI

“ 50 days--i still can't believe this happened

Linda - July 14, 2017 at 07:50 AM

MS

“ We are very sad at Johanne's passing. Coming to Ocean City just won't be the same without her. She was always on the go getting things accomplished. She fully appreciated her family and spoke of them often, loved her million dollar water view of Assawoman Bay, the bridge and the far shore. A delightful neighbor, she was always up to date on the local news and fully engaged in local, state, national politics and her community. Lastly, and I'm sure many will agree, her wardrobe was carefully chosen in the most wonderful colors that made her blue eyes glow. She loved life and lived it well. I miss you, Johanne.

Maureen Stehr - June 05, 2017 at 10:37 AM

LT

Such sweet sentiments Maureen. She loved you!!! I agree about her clothes!

Linda Tucker - June 05, 2017 at 04:45 PM

LI

Thank you for your beautiful sentiments Maureen - you're so right about her wardrobe and her zest for life! She loved you!

Linda - June 05, 2017 at 06:13 PM

PN

“ I just read about Joanne's passing in the local newspaper today. I went to church with Joanne, worked with Joanne at the News Center in Ocean City, and was her "Avon lady" for many years. She will surely be missed by all. Our thoughts and prayers go out to all of you ! Phyllis and Wayne Nail

Phyllis Nail - June 03, 2017 at 01:33 PM

LI

“ 1 file added to the album Memories with Mom



Linda - May 28, 2017 at 03:24 PM

LI

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Linda - May 28, 2017 at 03:18 PM



“ Our love and prayers go out to the Crafton and Tucker families. We're so sorry for your loss. May God bless you and keep you in His care with comfort and love.

Sincerely,
The Ferebee/Hopkins Family



D - May 28, 2017 at 08:46 AM

LI

Thank you so much Diana

Linda - May 28, 2017 at 03:08 PM

SC

“ *So sorry to hear about Johanne. She was one of three Golden Girls, myself, and Gloria, who sat together at Church of the Holy Spirit in OC MD. The three of us managed to get in a little bit of trouble at church because we are gigglers! I always remember her lovely smile, and beautiful spirit. May you find peace.*

Sherry Cormier - May 27, 2017 at 06:05 AM

LT

Thank you

Linda Tucker - June 03, 2017 at 12:01 AM

LT

“ *14 files added to the album Memories with Mom*



linda tucker - May 26, 2017 at 01:56 PM

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“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Linda Tucker - May 26, 2017 at 09:41 AM

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Linda Tucker - May 26, 2017 at 09:40 AM

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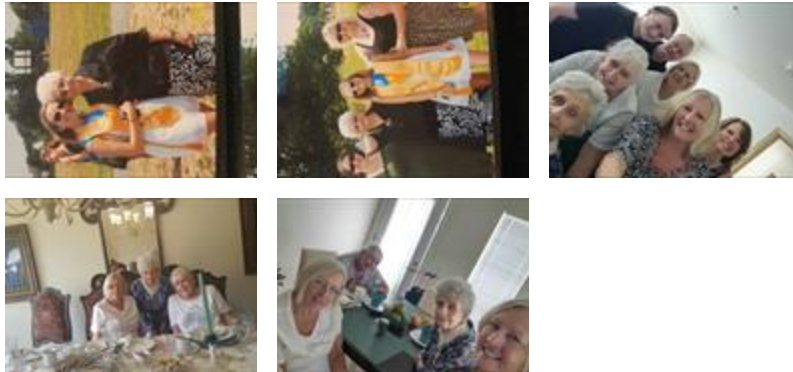
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Linda Tucker - May 26, 2017 at 09:40 AM

LT

“ 5 files added to the album Memories with Mom



Linda Tucker - May 26, 2017 at 09:22 AM

BT

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with Joie's family. Joie was an outstanding woman and I feel very fortunate to have been a part of her life. She will be missed by many . She has now been united with all of her loved ones in our God's heaven. Rest in peace my friend.

Brenda Tucker, Mebane N.C

Brenda Tucker - May 24, 2017 at 09:57 PM

NB

“ Grandma, I don't know where to begin ... You taught me so much and we shared so many wonderful memories. I'm so thankful that you were able to meet my girls, I'll do my best to do justice to your memory! There's so much to tell them about, from dancing on the deck, waiting for the fireworks ... our trip in the convertible (where I had to sit in the back seat and "cover my ears" so I wouldn't get an ear infection) ... and hearing the play-by-play of every Tech game (or political debate) that I didn't see. Thru your continuous support, you helped me believe that anything was possible. Thank you for everything. I love you so much!

Nicole Blalock - May 24, 2017 at 08:48 PM

LI

“ I will miss you forever--I know you're in a beautiful place with God, Jesus and family. I will keep feeding seagulls for you. I love you!!

Linda - May 24, 2017 at 07:59 PM

LI

“ *Linda lit a candle in memory of Edith Johanne Crafton*



Linda - May 24, 2017 at 07:55 PM