NSWFD Memorial Service

Mt. Zion Episcopal Church, Charles Town, W. Virginia

October 12, 2025

Prayer: Lord, we are gathered to remember and celebrate the lives of two members of our extended family. Each lived a long life, filled with love and accomplishment. Each leaves behind cherished children and grandchildren, along with many memories and countless influences on the lives of others that You know and we can only imagine. We thank You for the marvelous gift of their time here on earth, and for their continuing presence in our hearts, and for the promise that we will be with them again. In the name of Him who reassures us and gives us hope for the future, Amen.

Jean Day Greenberg, b. August 16, 1938 to Sam Day and Mary Bell Day, in Evansville, Indiana. d. March 13, 2025 in Los Angeles, CA.

Jean graduated from Reitz High School in 1956 and married Louis Thomas (Tom) Greenberg on August 15, 1959. She helped support her husband as he pursued his medical career. They lived in California for his residency and returned to Evansville in 1966 to set up a family practice when they abruptly had to move their young family to Tyndall Airforce Base in Panama City, FL after he was drafted into the Air Force. Upon completion of the service, they moved to Atlanta , GA and then went on to Indianapolis, Indiana where Jean was able to raise her four children becoming a homemaker extraordinaire while her husband was a neuroradiologist with Northwest Radiology.

She was a member of the Starlight Theatre in Indianapolis for many years, always loved movies and musicals, and with this passion she helped organize shows along with working on the charitable side of raising money for children. She spent much time exploring her lineage and was a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution and The National Society of the Washington Family Descendents. Perhaps one of her highest achievements was becoming a Life Master in bridge. She loved to travel the world, but her favorite place was always home in Indiana.

A devoted wife and mother. Jean is survived by her four children, Cindy McDonough, Kris Hutchinson, Scott Greenberg and Marti Mozzali. She has six beautiful grandchildren that mean the world to her, John McDonough, Blake Greenberg, Brynn McDonough, Viola Hutchinson, Thomas Roncetti and Noah Roncetti.

Sara Wilson Harold Saunders, b. ,January 16, 1927 in Chapel Hill, NC, to Edward Byron Harold and Anne Washington Brooke d. February 3, 2025 in Lynchburg, VA.

The youngest of four daughters, Sara Wil spent most of her childhood in Charles Town, WV. Her father died when she was young. She graduated from Charles Town High School at age 17 in 1944 and joined her sister Emily in Richmond, VA. She worked for the VA Dept of Highways drafting road sections. In fall 1945, she enrolled at the College of William and Mary. To help pay her way, she waited tables and sold cigarettes and candy to hallmates. She graduated Phi Beta Kappa in mathematics in 1949. She then lived in Norfolk with her mother's cousin, the artist Lena McNamara and worked as a draftsman for an architect and then for the U.S. Coast and Geodetic Survey and taught horseback riding in the summers at Camp Carysbrook in Riner, VA.

In 1954, she married Fleming Saunders, Jr. of Evington, VA, and this 'town girl' took up rural life. Their four children were born in quick succession. The family moved to the Rivermont neighborhood of Lynchburg in 1965. She lived in the same house the rest of her life.
She was a wise, fair-minded, and always supportive mother. She lived simply, but to exacting standards. A child of The Great Depression, she wasted nothing and kept the house running on a shoe string. Education was important to her. She never stopped learning. Books and newspapers abounded and mealtimes were always full of lively conversation. After the children were grown, she became an accomplished watercolor artist. Her favorite subject was capturing the architecture and essence of old Lynchburg. She loved to travel, especially to Europe, and to take the back roads. She was still painting to the last. An inspiration for many, she was that rare individual people remember and look up to. Sara Wil had a clear mind (What a mind!) to the end. She was interested in everything and everyone. Admired for her talent and intellect, she was beloved for her wit and compassion and because she was fun. She met life's challenges with resourcefulness and a deep faith.

Sara Wil is survived by her son Fleming Saunders, V (Karen) of Burke, VA, her daughter Sara S. Hollberg (Mark) of Staunton VA, her six grandchildren Fleming Saunders VI (Janae) of Cedarville, OH, Reagan Everett Saunders of Charlottesville, VA, Grace Sykes Saunders of Charlottesville, Coalter Watts Hollberg (Callie) of Springfield, VA, Forrest Augustus Hollberg of Lynchburg, Beverly Grant Hollberg of Staunton; great grandsons Fleming Easton Saunders and Braden Harper Saunders of Cedarville and a great granddaughter on the way in Springfield; daughter-in-law Ann Sykes (North Chesterfield) and son-in-law Rick Cooley (Decatur, GA).

Respectfully submitted, Jim Byrd

Chaplain

