



## Jane Ellen Olson Harsh

July 6, 1935 - November 10, 2023

Jane Ellen Olson Harsh, 88, former resident of Arlington and Winchester, VA, (retirement years) died Friday, November 10, 2023, at The Village of Orchard Ridge.

She was born in Billings, MT, on July 6, 1935, the daughter of Arthur Waldemar and Agnes Tharp Olson. She grew up in Mandan, North Dakota, where she graduated from Mandan High School and Bismarck Junior College (combining her senior high school year with first year of junior college). She played the baritone horn and trombone in high school, and bagpipes in junior college. She worked as a lifeguard and helped her brother deliver newspapers to save enough money to go to college. At 18, she moved to Baltimore and graduated from Johns Hopkins School of Nursing in 1957. Her nursing career included working at the National Institute of Health, Arlington Hospital (now Virginia Hospital Center), Sibley Hospital, and Georgetown University Hospital.

She was married to Richard Stanley “Stan” Harsh for 46 years. Retiring young, they spent 25 years traveling the world together – and also relishing researching family genealogy and spending time with their 9 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren. She was an avid reader, a master cook, a bridge aficionado, and a compassionate person always helping others. Jane was also a member of Daughters of the American Revolution and several civic groups. She is survived by her four children – Bruce, Virginia, Brandon, and Blair. A memorial service will be 11:00 am Thursday, November 16, 2023, in

the Chapel at the Village of Orchard Ridge, officiated by Reverend Heather Bumstead. Burial next to her husband will be held in 2024. Friends will be received an hour prior to the service in the Chapel.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to The Village at Orchard Ridge located at 400 Clocktower Drive, Winchester, VA 22601 and/or the Blue Ridge Hospice at 333 W. Cork Street, Winchester, Virginia 22601.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV **16**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

The Village at Orchard Ridge Chapel  
400 Clocktower Drive  
Winchester, VA 22603

## Service

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