



## Jean E. Brashears

September 16, 1935 - March 28, 2025

Beloved wife of the late Billy Brashears, Jean is survived by her daughters Jean Ann Berry (Roger) and Tena Crandall (Matt), grandchildren Kristina Berry, Randy Berry, Zachary Crandall (Julie), Ben Crandall (Taylor), Madison Crandall, and Mackenzie Crandall, and great grandchildren Caroline, Jack and Scarlett Crandall. She is also survived by her sister Vera Griffin, Brother-in-law Roland Chapman and numerous nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by 4 brothers and 5 sisters.

Jean was born in Arlington, Virginia to the late John and Mae Fox on September 16, 1935, and spent the majority of her life living in Northern Virginia. She graduated from Fairfax High School in June of 1954 and began her career with the Federal Government shortly after.

She met MSgt Billy Brashears through mutual friends in the Spring of 1958. They married in November and stayed devoted to one another for the rest of their lives. Billy's military career sent them to assignments in Brussels, Belgium, Langley Air Force Base. They eventually settled back in Northern Virginia after Billy's retirement in 1974, where Jean continued to live until her death. Jean took a break in service from her career and spent many years as a full-time mother and military wife. She later returned to the Federal Government, retiring after 30 years of service.

After retirement she enjoyed traveling with Billy and spending as much time with her children, grandchildren and great grandchildren as possible. Jean passed away peacefully Friday morning March 28th after a brief illness. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. Jude's Children's Hospital. This charity was very near and dear to Jean's heart.

Jean's family will be greeting friends and family at the Jefferson Funeral Chapel, 5755 Castlewellan Drive, Alexandria, Virginia at 10am Thursday, April 3rd with a service in the chapel commencing at 11am. A livestream of the service will be available for those who are unable to attend in person. Interment to follow the service at Mount Comfort Cemetery.

# Cemetery Details

## Mt. Comfort Cemetery

6600 South Kings Highway  
Alexandria, VA 22306

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 3. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Jefferson Funeral Chapel  
5755 Castlewellan Dr  
Alexandria, VA 22315-5516  
(703) 971-7400

## Funeral Service

APR 3. 11:00 AM (ET)

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5755 Castlewellan Dr  
Alexandria, VA 22315-5516  
(703) 971-7400

## Graveside Service

APR 3. 12:30 PM (ET)

Mt. Comfort Cemetery  
6600 South Kings Highway  
Alexandria, VA 22306



# Tribute Wall



“ *Jefferson Funeral Chapel created a Webcast in memory of Jean E. Brashears*



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**Jefferson Funeral Chapel** - March 31, 2025 at 12:34 PM

AV

“ *Dear Family, we have just watched the service in honor of Jean at our Mom's place. Thank you for sharing this important moment with us.*

*Big hugs from Belgium*

*Josie, Ann, Steve and his daughter Clemence*

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**Ann Vandenabeele** - April 03, 2025 at 11:40 AM

LM

“ *We felt so lucky to have bought the house next door to Miss Jean and Mr Bill back in 2002. It felt like having our parents, and later our kids' grandparents, living beside us. Our kitchen windows face each other and I can't count the number of times I've looked up to see Miss Jean at her kitchen window too, making a special meal for her family or just washing the dishes. She was so generous to our family and will be sorely missed. Rest in peace Miss Jean and say hi to Bill from us.*

*Sending love from Lisa, Brian, Jack, and Morgan Milman*

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**Lisa Milman** - April 03, 2025 at 07:40 AM



“ *Heavenly Grace Spray was purchased for the family of Jean E. Brashears.*



April 02, 2025 at 03:24 PM



“ *Gary and Michele Florence purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Jean E. Brashears.*



**Gary and Michele Florence** - April 01, 2025 at 09:03 PM



“ *Gary and Michele Florence planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jean E. Brashears.*

**Gary and Michele Florence** - April 01, 2025 at 09:03 PM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Jean E. Brashears.*



April 01, 2025 at 09:00 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Jean E. Brashears.*



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April 01, 2025 at 07:18 PM



“ *Craig Fox purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Jean E. Brashears.*



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**Craig Fox** - April 01, 2025 at 07:08 PM



“ *Josie, Ann and Steve purchased the Sweetest Surprise Bouquet for the family of Jean E. Brashears.*



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**Josie, Ann and Steve** - April 01, 2025 at 06:13 PM



“ *Wahnetta, Fred, Jessica & James Mitchell purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Jean E. Brashears.*



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**Wahnetta, Fred, Jessica & James Mitchell** - April 01, 2025 at 04:40 PM

WM

“ *Wahnetta, Fred, Jessica & James Mitchell planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jean E. Brashears.*

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**Wahnetta, Fred, Jessica & James Mitchell** - April 01, 2025 at 04:40 PM

ZN

“ *1 file added to the album Memories*



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**zoe Van Not** - April 01, 2025 at 09:53 AM

ZN

“ *Zoe Van Not lit a candle in memory of Jean E. Brashears*



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**zoe Van Not** - April 01, 2025 at 09:40 AM

ZN

*This candle was lit in Brussels, Belgium in sweet memory of Jean whom we loved with all our heart ! Josie, Steve and Ann*

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**zoe Van Not** - April 01, 2025 at 09:41 AM

LT

“ Love, Trish & The Team purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Jean E. Brashears.



Love, Trish & The Team - April 01, 2025 at 08:27 AM

DB

“ David and Ann Braun purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Jean E. Brashears.

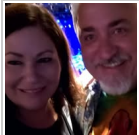


David and Ann Braun - March 31, 2025 at 02:45 PM

DB

“ David and Ann Braun planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jean E. Brashears.

David and Ann Braun - March 31, 2025 at 02:45 PM



“ I only met her a few times but she was an inspiration! Such a lovely soul.

Ann Braun - March 31, 2025 at 02:41 PM

ZN

“ I love you, Sis ; you are in my heart forever !  
Josie

Zoe Van Not - March 31, 2025 at 12:33 PM

AV

“ Jean will be missed here in Brussels, Belgium. We were children when the Brashears entered our lives and became our parents' US brother, sister and nieces. You will never be forgotten, Jean ! We send our deepest love and hugs to all of you !  
Ann and Steve VANDENABEELE

Ann Vandenabeele - March 31, 2025 at 10:35 AM



“ Sweet Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Jean E. Brashears.



March 30, 2025 at 08:52 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Jean E. Brashears.

March 30, 2025 at 08:52 PM

CF

“ I just found out about Aunt Jean? I send my sincere condolences to the family. She and uncle Bill were my favorites!

Craig Fox - March 30, 2025 at 06:24 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Jean E. Brashears.*



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