



Joyce Goad Ward

November 14, 1942 - March 23, 2021

Joyce Goad Ward, 78, of Lanexa, transitioned to heaven (2nd Corinthians 5:8) on March 23, 2021 after a long battle with cancer. Joyce was born on November 14, 1942 at the old Bell Hospital in Williamsburg, VA, to A. K and Nellie Goad. She graduated from James Blair High School, class of 1961.

Joyce was preceded in death by her parents and daughter Veronica (Bunny) Lichvar.

She is survived by her husband and best friend of almost 60 years Henry (HEJO61) , sons Gary (Virginia) of Yorktown, VA, Stephen of Lanexa, grandchildren Rebecca Lichvar and Jonathan Lichvar of Glen Allen, VA, son-in-law Chip Lichvar of Glen Allen and sister-in-law Debra Ward of Lanexa.

Joyce was a lifelong active member of Liberty Baptist Church, Lanexa, Va. She taught Sunday School for over 50 years, first with 7 year-olds and then adult women in the LLL class (whom she referred to as her girls). She also taught Vacation Bible School, served as a RA leader alongside Henry, and also served as Church Clerk.

Joyce and Henry loved taking trips together whether a day trip, such as checking out a new local restaurant or one 150 miles away, an overnigher, or longer trips to some new location or event. A new adventure was always around the next curve.

A drive-up memorial service will be held in front of the white building at Liberty Baptist Church, 15815 Liberty Church Road on Saturday March 27, 2021 at 2 PM. Attendees will remain in their car and tune their radio to 88.3 FM.

The family would like to thank those who cared for Joyce during her fight with cancer. Riverside Radiation, Virginia Oncology, SWRMC, and Amedisys Hospice Care.

Memorial donations may be made to the American Cancer Society or to Habitat for Humanity.

Events

MAR **Memorial Service** 02:00PM

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Liberty Baptist Church

15810 Liberty Church Rd., Lanexa, VA, US, 23089

Comments



“ Dear Henry,

I have gone through every one of these tributes and should have clicked a "like" to all of them.. I so totally agree. You two were Mr. and Mrs. Liberty Baptist Church! Never thought of one name without the other. One verse comes to my mind in particular.

Philippians 3:17

17 Brethren, join in following my example, and observe those who walk according to the pattern you have in us.

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How we continue to love and pray for you and the Liberty Church family.

David and Peggy

David and Peggy Riley - May 24 at 08:16 AM



“ Henry ..Diane and I are remembering the good times. Our prayers are with you. Take care of you..Harold and Diane Timberlake

Harold timberlake - May 13 at 05:07 PM



“ We are so very sorry for your loss.

Pam and Bob Gemmill

Yorktown, Virginia



Pam and Bob Gemmill - March 27 at 10:46 AM



“ Henry, Joyce will be missed but will always live in our hearts. I will always remember Joyce as my Sunday School teacher. She was grand lady, loves by all who knew her. Our condolences go out to you and the family. Diane and Rodney Forbis

Rodney and Diane Forbis - March 27 at 07:53 AM



“ Henry, Mary Grace and I send our condolences. Joyce was a friendly and outgoing person that will be missed very much, but certainly not forgotten.

Lewis E Slayton - March 26 at 10:19 PM



“ Donald Bradley lit a candle in memory of Joyce Goad Ward



Donald Bradley - March 26 at 02:26 PM



“ Joyce was such a lovely lady, always smiling and positive. Our prayers go out to Henry and the rest of the family. Our communities loss is heavens blessing. Ann Hazelwood and Tiena Kusmira



Tiena - March 26 at 02:18 PM



“ My prayers and thoughts are with Henry and his family. Joyce was a sweet Christian woman. May she rest in peace with her eternal Father. In christian love,
Carol Ann Tooley Hall

Carol T. Hall - March 26 at 11:49 AM



“ Joyce was the most beautiful example of a Christian woman. I learned so much from her in my years in her Sunday School Class at Liberty Baptist Church. My prayers and condolences go to Henry and their family.
Beverley Smith

Beverley Smith - March 25 at 09:27 PM



“ Prayers go out to you Henry and the family. You both have been such great friends to uncle Wayne and Aunt Becky over the years. I have such great memories in Sunday school at liberty baptist of both you as a little boy. Joyce has served Christ her whole life and will be rewarded in heaven for sure but doesn't make it easy for us that are left behind. Only to know that we all will meet again some day!
Prayers

Michael Haden
And Family



Michael Haden - March 25 at 05:18 PM



“ Dale Seward lit a candle in memory of Joyce Goad Ward



Dale Seward - March 25 at 10:08 AM



“ My prayers for you, Henry, in the loss of your wife.



Libda South - March 25 at 08:15 AM



“ She will be missed here so very much, but welcomed into Heaven with her daughter and Ann and -Vivian and Rev. Barnes. She was beautiful in side and out. A true lady of God.
Judy C.

judith caricofe - March 24 at 02:54 PM



“ So sorry to here of you loss, Joyce and I went all through school together and was a great lady! Prayers for all.

Lacy and Bettie Banks



Rado L Banks - March 24 at 02:11 PM



“ Henry and family,
I am so sorry for your loss. Joyce was one of the first people I met at Liberty who made me feel so welcomed and loved. What an amazing example she set for me as a new Christian. She radiated God's love and she will be missed by so many. Praying for you and your family through this sad time.

Julie Steele

Julie Steele - March 24 at 10:05 AM



“ Angie Rogers lit a candle in memory of Joyce Goad Ward



Angie Rogers - March 24 at 08:43 AM



“ Joyce was always so sweet and kind to my brother, Danny, who is developmentally disabled and always stopped by our seats at church to speak to Danny and me; even though we were new to the church she made us feel like family. A wonderful lady who was a shining example of Christian love for others.

Gone From My Sight
by Henry Van Dyke

I am standing upon the seashore. A ship, at my side,
spreads her white sails to the moving breeze and starts
for the blue ocean. She is an object of beauty and strength.
I stand and watch her until, at length, she hangs like a speck
of white cloud just where the sea and sky come to mingle with each other.

Then, someone at my side says, "There, she is gone."

Gone where?

Gone from my sight. That is all. She is just as large in mast,
hull and spar as she was when she left my side.
And, she is just as able to bear her load of living freight to her destined port.
Her diminished size is in me -- not in her.

And, just at the moment when someone says, "There, she is gone,"
there are other eyes watching her coming, and other voices
ready to take up the glad shout, "Here she comes!"

Kat Warren - March 24 at 08:38 AM



“ Kat... Thanks for sharing "Gone From My Sight". Her presence is ever presentt. Henry

HENRY WARD - March 24 at 10:03 PM



“ Joyce was a wonderful example of God's love. Praying for you and your family
Henry. Clay and Pam Thorpe Williams, Shacklefords, VA.

Pam T Williams - March 24 at 08:16 AM



“ Henry, our prayers are with you and your family. She is loved by so many and touched so many lives. I can't imagine how many people she will meet in heaven that are there themselves because of her faithfulness to share the gospel. What a wonderful life you two have had together. Thank you for modeling your love and commitment to each other as an example to us all. With love, Ruth and Sammy Yates

Ruth and Sammy Yates - March 23 at 11:20 PM



“ God has gained another angel. My heart is broken, but also rejoicing for her victory. My thoughts and prayers are with you.



Debra Ward - March 23 at 10:11 PM



“ Jim Ross lit a candle in memory of Joyce Goad Ward



Jim Ross - March 23 at 10:04 PM



“ Henry: To you and your family we offer our sincere and deepest sympathy. We pray God will comfort all of you during this time and forever more. Jim and Beverly Ross

Jim Ross - March 23 at 10:03 PM



“ Sandy Otey Oertli lit a candle in memory of Joyce Goad Ward



Sandy Otey Oertli - March 23 at 09:55 PM



“ Lee and I are sorry for your loss. May God send you comfort. Lee and John Davis

John Davis - March 23 at 08:08 PM



“ John, Vickie Roane lit a candle in memory of Joyce Goad Ward



john, vickie roane - March 23 at 06:19 PM



“ Henry and family,
I am so sorry for your loss. She was such a sweet, beautiful lady.
Cherish your precious memories, until you can be with her again.
With heartfelt sympathy.
Gloria Couch

Gloria Couch - March 23 at 05:02 PM



“ Janet Timberlake Gallaher lit a candle in memory of Joyce Goad Ward



Janet Timberlake Gallaher - March 23 at 04:42 PM



“ Henry we are so sorry for your loss. Please know that you are in our thoughts and prayers

Judy and Glenn Palmer - March 23 at 02:52 PM