



Diane Breeden Rilee

May 5, 1942 - May 13, 2026

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Diane Breeden Rilee, our beloved Mom/Nan/Lil' Nan, on May 13, 2026. She was surrounded by family as she peacefully departed this world.

Diane was born in Charlottesville, Virginia, on May 5, 1942. She was married for 65 years to her high school sweetheart, Robert Jeffries (Jeff) Rilee, who preceded her in death. She was a loving mom to daughter, Elizabeth (Beth) Rilee Kelley (Paul) and son, Robert Jeffries (Jeffrey) Rilee, Jr., and grandmother to four beautiful grandchildren who were some of her biggest fans: Breeden Kelley Browning (Matt), Paul Thomasson Kelley, Jr. (Samantha), Harlow Rilee Foster (Tyler), and Travis Lucas Haurand (Jennifer). She was proud of her eight remarkable great-grandchildren and enjoyed hearing about their accomplishments and antics.

She is also survived by two sisters, Pamela Breeden Taran and Janie Breeden Dzula (Larry) and many other beloved family members. Diane was also preceded in death by her parents, Georgie Breeden Marston and Raymond Eugene Breeden, and her son, Robert Jeffries (Jeffrey) Rilee, Jr.

When Diane moved to rural King and Queen County as a teenager, it was culture shock for this self-proclaimed city girl. She missed her Maryland life and never got over watching the birth of a calf just outside the kitchen window

of her new home while having breakfast. We understand the cow event prompted yet another desperate plea to move back to her city home.

Diane graduated from Pleasant Hill High School and while there, met her beloved country boy, Jeff. They fell in love, married and began raising a family. It was official. The city girl had finally grown to love her rural home. Diane worked in administration at both York Academy and Rappahannock Community College before joining Riverside Walter Reed Hospital in Gloucester in 1977. She eventually became the Director of Volunteer Services and manager of The Daffodil, the hospital's popular gift shop.

Following her retirement from Riverside in 2008, Diane realized her dream of owning a retail boutique and opened Divin' Off the Dock in West Point, Virginia, with her two sisters as partners. Her little shop was her pride and joy and she enjoyed working there until her second retirement in 2020.

Diane always encouraged her family to enjoy life and especially wanted her grands to have "big fun". To that end, she shared their love of jumping in mud puddles, fearlessly riding roller coasters and always searching for the best seashells on the beach...together.

We will miss our Lil' Nan. The family extends their gratitude to all medical staff and caregivers over the years for the loving care and support. We are eternally grateful for you.

The family will receive friends 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Wednesday, May 27th at Vincent Funeral Home, 417 11th Street, West Point, Virginia. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the West Point YMCA, P.O. Box 1526, West Point, VA 23181 or Poroporone Baptist Church, PO Box 400, Shackelfords, VA 23156.

Upcoming Events

Memorial Service

MAY 27. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Vincent Funeral Home, West Point Chapel
417 11th St
West Point, VA 23181
(804) 843-2550

Tribute Wall

FC

“ Francis Chandler lit a candle in memory of Diane Breeden Rilee



francis chandler - 41 minutes ago

JR

“ John And Vickie Roane lit a candle in memory of Diane Breeden Rilee



John and Vickie Roane - 1 hour ago

GC

“ With heartfelt sympathy to each of you
Cherish your precious memories
Gloria Couch (formerly Foster)



Gloria Couch - 2 hours ago

MF

“ Margaret Ogg & Mike Fazio lit a candle in memory of Diane Breeden Rilee



Margaret Ogg & Mike Fazio - 2 hours ago



“ So sorry to hear this news. I have known her since she came to Pleasant hill high school many years ago. May good memories help you all at this time.

Janie wampler - 2 hours ago



“ Beverly Edwards lit a candle in memory of Diane Breeden Rilee



Beverly Edwards - 3 hours ago