



Deborah S. Merker

March 29, 1937 - April 10, 2015

Deborah Saybolt Merker, "Debby" of Haverford, PA, age 78, died unexpectedly in an automobile accident in Cleveland, Tennessee on April 10th.

Beloved wife, 53 years of James J. Merker and loving Mother of Lisa and (John) Allen and Jenny and (Bart) Anthony. She is survived by Grandchildren Tyler Conway and Caroline Hayes Allen and is the sister of Peter M. Saybolt and Janet S. Bowers. Debby was the daughter of W.D. and Marion Saybolt of Haverford, PA.

Debby attended Baldwin School and graduated from Williston Northampton School, attended Brown University and was a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania.

Debby was a stewardess for Eastern Airlines in the 60's. She later joined her husband's firm, Merker Associates, as a partner.

She was an active member of St. Christopher's Church of Gladwyne and a long time dedicated member of the choir. One of Debby's great passions was her love for animals, especially her dogs. She also loved art, design and music. She was an avid gardener. Her generosity and kindness was

legendary.

Her Memorial Service will be held at St. Christopher's Episcopal Church, 226 Righter's Mill Rd., Gladwyne, PA on Saturday April 18th at 3pm.

The family would appreciate donations in lieu of flowers to St. Christopher's Church outreach program.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

APR 18. 3:00 PM (ET)

St. Christopher's Episcopal Church
226 Righters Mill Road
Gladwyne, PA 19035

Tribute Wall

JU

“ I remember eating her toffees that my gf would bring home after cleaning her house. Never spoke to her but gf always liked her. Irish

Julie - December 05, 2017 at 04:28 PM

LG

“ All of us at GCI Design Inc are shocked and deeply saddened by the news of Debby's death. Debby was one of the finest sales reps we had the pleasure of knowing. Her positive spirit, bright smile and warm demeanor touched each of us every time she visited. The legacy Debby leaves is one of superb professionalism and a true love for our industry and for those she befriended - a high bar indeed for those who will follow. Bravo Debby for a life well lived! You will remain in our hearts forever.

Lynn E. Godshall - June 24, 2015 at 09:31 PM

LN

“ I am so deeply saddened to hear about Debby's passing today. She always came into my workplace with a warm smile and was such a pleasure to talk with. My deepest condolences to her family. She will truly be missed by all of us.



Laura Nieto - April 23, 2015 at 03:54 PM

LW

“ my sincere condolences to you Jim..and to your family. Her Memorial Service At St.Christopher's was beautiful...like "Debby". We will all miss her. Lillian

Lillian H Wister - April 19, 2015 at 12:53 PM



“ We will always miss you . Pam, Haley, Marshall , Ad and the Boys

Pamela Cross Coles - April 18, 2015 at 08:38 AM



“ Claudia M. Pinzon purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Deborah S. Merker.



Claudia M. Pinzon - April 17, 2015 at 08:26 AM



“ We love you Debby, thanks so much for opening your home to us. It was such a joy being with you, Jim, Oakly, Sophy and Margaret the time we visited you.

Thanks for your hospitality and your love.

You will be in our hearts forever. Rest in peace.

Love, Ron and Claudia.

Claudia M. Pinzon - April 17, 2015 at 07:58 AM



“ Dear Debby thanks for all the beautiful memories you are leaving in my heart.

Since the first time I met you, your sincere and warm personality put such a bright light in my life.

I will always remember you in the nicest way, because you and your husband are very special to me.

Thanks so much for that beautiful friendship you offered me.

Love, Claudia Pinzon.

Claudia M. Pinzon - April 17, 2015 at 07:36 AM

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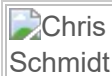


Jenny Dallas Anthony - April 15, 2015 at 10:21 PM

JA

Mother as a Stewardess in the early 60's

Jenny Dallas Anthony - April 15, 2015 at 10:22 PM



Your mom was always so beautiful!

Chris Schmidt - April 16, 2015 at 11:10 AM

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Jenny Dallas Anthony - April 15, 2015 at 10:17 PM

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Debby as a young girl - doesn't she look like Lisa!!!

Jenny Dallas Anthony - April 15, 2015 at 10:23 PM

CB

She really does, very cute...

Cindy Belz - April 18, 2015 at 07:41 AM

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Jenny Dallas Anthony - April 15, 2015 at 10:15 PM

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Her first grandchild 6-22-94

Jenny Dallas Anthony - April 15, 2015 at 10:44 PM

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Jenny Dallas Anthony - April 15, 2015 at 10:02 PM

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Jenny Dallas Anthony - April 15, 2015 at 10:01 PM

JD

I love this picture of your mother. So beautiful.

Judith Dupuis - April 17, 2015 at 07:39 AM

CB

Beautiful lady, and she has such a nice smile

Cindy Belz - April 18, 2015 at 07:47 AM

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Jenny Dallas Anthony - April 15, 2015 at 09:59 PM



“ *Celestial Love was purchased for the family of Deborah S. Merker.*



April 15, 2015 at 03:04 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Deborah S. Merker.*



April 14, 2015 at 06:56 PM



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Rebecca Saybolt Bainum - April 14, 2015 at 03:09 PM



“ *Although I rarely saw you since our long ago Baldwin years, I still remember much of our time there with surprising clarity. More recently, thanks for so hospitably sharing your home with all of us at our 50th reunion. We miss you. Hugs and prayers for your family, Barbara (Bobbie Rucker) Seaton*

Barbara Seaton - April 13, 2015 at 07:21 PM



Chris
Schmidt

“ *Debby, I remember the first time I met you, I was tearing down part of the fence between your house and Pete's, and you told me to stop doing that because your dogs will get out. I will never forget what a big kind heart you had to everyone around you. You were the light in everyone's eyes that you came into. Thank you for being so kind and amazing to me, making me tea when I was sick or cold, making me sandwiches, cards and money for Christmas, your amazing homemade toffee, you picking me up from, and taking me to the trainstation, your concern about my health and going to school. You were an angel on earth and now an angel in heaven. Say hi to Kit for me. I'm sure you two are having a fun time, catching up. I love you and I miss you so much! I just still can't except you are gone! RIP. With love, your friend, Chris Schmidt.*

Chris Schmidt - April 13, 2015 at 02:12 PM