



Margaret June Leckrone

June 30, 1930 - November 5, 2022

Margaret “June” Leckrone, 92, entered into eternal rest on Saturday, November 5, 2022, in Summerville, SC. Much beloved by her family, friends, and neighbors, June never knew a stranger. She was always quick to offer a smile and an encouraging word. For her the glass was not simply half full, it was overflowing.

Born June 30, 1930, in Harrisburg Illinois, to Alvin and Opal Wilson Render, June received her BA in Music from McKendree College (University) in Lebanon, IL. In 1953, she married her college sweetheart, Charlie, and for 61 years they shared an adventure, raising a family and experiencing, as Coast Guard families do, having "sand in their shoes." After numerous tours of duty, traveling from coast to coast for over 32 years, following Charlie's retirement, they settled in Portsmouth.

Though June's first love was her family, she was also devoted to her music (both singing, directing, and composing). The highlight of her musical career was being a member of the Chapman Roberts Singers (in NYC) where she sang a solo at Lincoln Center. She was also a member of the Collegiate Chorale and performed twice at Carnegie Hall. She organized and directed the Community Chorus while on Governors Island which performed at The Plaza Hotel as well as the Hilton (in NYC) and where she sang God Bless America.

She was a devoted member of the United Methodist Church (active for many years at Centenary United Methodist Church, serving in Church Women United), loved flower arranging, served in many positions within the Sterling Point Garden Club in Portsmouth and served with Meals on Wheels. Outspoken in her love for our country, June never missed an opportunity to vote.

She was predeceased by her parents: Alvin and Opal Wilson Render and her brothers: Wilson and Ray Render; Sisters: Meverine Render, Maxine Rude, and Carolyn Fortner.

She is survived by her children: the Rev. Susan (David) Copley, Phillip (Catherine) Leckrone, Joy (Marion) Hunter, David (Margaret) Leckrone, and grandchildren: Megan Copley; John (Kelsey), Michael and Timothy Leckrone; Samuel (Maddy) and Andrew (Kimberly) Hunter; Jeffrey, Thomas, and Kimberly Leckrone and by two great-grandchildren Eliam Leckrone and Ella Ruth Hunter.

The funeral will be held Saturday, November 12 at 11:00 a.m. at Centenary United Methodist Church in Portsmouth. A private burial will be held at A.G. Horton Memorial Veterans Cemetery, Suffolk at a later date. For further information contact Foster Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts, in thanksgiving for June's life, may be sent to Centenary UMC, McKendree University, or Wycliffe Bible Translators. Condolence messages for the family may be mailed to Susan Copley, 17 Courtney Ave. Newburgh, NY 12550.

Cemetery Details

Albert G. Horton, Jr. Memorial Veterans Cemetery

Suggok, VA

Previous Events

Funeral Service

NOV 12. 11:00 AM.

Centenary United Merthodist Church
Portsmouth, VA