



Sherrell Deane Knight

May 2, 1936 - November 11, 2021

SUMMERVILLE – It is with profound sadness and much love that we mourn the passing of Sherrell Deane Smith Knight, age 85. She passed away Thursday, November 11, 2021 after a short illness. She will be greatly missed by her husband of 65 years, Vernie H. Knight, Jr.

Born May 2, 1936, Sherrell was the daughter of Dr. Richard Sherrill Smith of Arkansas and Octive Smith Wooten of Summerville. Sherrell was born in Parkin, Arkansas; at the age of 12, she moved (along with her mother, older sister, and maternal grandfather) to Summerville. Her grandfather had taken a job as a saw blade sharpener in Summerville so Octive and her daughters moved with him.

Sherrell graduated in 1955 from Summerville High School, attended Palmer Business College, and went to work at the First National Bank of Summerville. She met the love of her life, Vernie, and they married on July 6, 1956, while Vernie was a veteran student at the Citadel. They lived in a house in Summerville built by Vernie's father. After Vernie graduated in 1958, they moved to Hampton Roads, VA where Vernie was employed at NACA, the precursor to NASA. Their daughter Joni was born in 1960. They moved to Poquoson, VA in 1973. After Vernie retired in 1997, they lived in Virginia part of the year and in Summerville part of the year. In 2004, after Hurricane Isabel struck the Virginia coast and flooded their subdivision, they moved back to

Summerville full time. Sherrell was a 33-year survivor of Lymphoma. She was a member of Tabernacle United Methodist Church in Poquoson.

Sherrell loved her dog, Jo Jo, and her cats P.J., Chester, Tink, and Pepper. She enjoyed eating out with family and listening to Rod Stewart and Elvis Presley songs. She also enjoyed traveling to England and Scotland.

Sherrell is survived by her husband, Vernie Knight Jr., of Summerville, her daughter Joni K. Caton and her husband Ron Caton of Port Royal, SC, her grandson Specialist Matthew (Matt) Caton (U.S. Army) and his wife Hannah of Anchorage, AK.

She is also survived by her brothers-in-law James Burke and Everett Knight Sr. (Jane) of Summerville and her sister-in-law Linda K. Hallex (Charles) of Edisto Island; her nieces Anne Marie (Dillard) Burns (Rich) of Summerville, Debbie (Sales) Edge (Bob) of North Myrtle Beach, Cathy K. Carroll (Bobby) of Goose Creek, Susan (Hallex) High (Wesley) of Ridgeville, and her nephew Chip Knight (Mindy) of Ridgeville. There are also many great nieces and nephews, cousins, and friends who will mourn her.

She was predeceased by her maternal grandparents Francis (Baker) and William Wooten, sister Margaret (McClure) Dillard Burke, stepfather A.C. Wooten, mother- and father-in-law Belle (Charpia) and Vernie Knight Sr., all of Summerville, and sister-in-law Belva K. Sales Smith and husband Frank of Ridgeville; and her half-sisters and their husbands, all of Arkansas, Blanche S. Crook (Ralph), Helen S. Moncrief (Walter), Jessie S. Stein (George), and Florence S. Norris (Newt).

Visitation will be on Monday, November 22, 2021, from 6:00-8:00 pm at James A. Dyal Funeral Home, 303 S. Main St., Summerville, SC. Sherrell's memorial service will be on Tuesday, November 23, at 2:00 pm at James A. Dyal

Funeral Home Oakbrook Chapel, 11000 Dorchester Rd., Summerville, SC.
Burial will immediately follow in the cemetery.

Flowers will be accepted or memorial contributions may be made to Boone Hill United Methodist Church, 801 Boone Hill Road, Summerville, SC 29483. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to James A. Dyal Funeral Home in Summerville.

A memorial message may be written to the family by visiting our website at www.jamesadyal.com.

ARRANGEMENTS BY JAMES A. DYAL FUNERAL HOME, 303 SOUTH MAIN STREET, SUMMERVILLE, SC 29483 (843)873-4040.

Cemetery Details

Dorchester Memory Gardens

11000 Dorchester Road
Summerville, SC 29485
<http://www.dorchestermemorygardens.com>

Previous Events

Gathering of Friends & Family

NOV **22**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

James A. Dyal Funeral Home
303 S. Main Street
Summerville, SC 29483
(843) 873-4040
<https://www.jamesadyal.com>

Service

NOV **23**. 2:00 PM (ET)

James A. Dyal Funeral Home Oakbrook Chapel
11000 Dorchester Rd.
Summerville, SC 29485

Tribute Wall



“ *Sherrell Deane Knight*

September 29, 2022 at 10:11 AM



“ *Eva Mae, Tom, Susan, Mitch, and Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Sherrell Deane Knight.*



Eva Mae, Tom, Susan, Mitch, and Family - November 21, 2021
at 08:22 PM



“ *My sympathy and condolence to Vernie and Joanie. Sherrell was a dear sweet soul and will be missed greatly.*
Anita Barden

Anita Barden - November 21, 2021 at 08:06 AM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Sherrell Deane Knight.*



November 19, 2021 at 06:05 PM

RD

“ *Mr. Knight,
We were so saddened to learn of Mrs. Knight's death. We remember her fondly from her visits to our office. She was such a warm, compassionate, and strong lady. We feel lucky to have had her, and you, as patients for all those years! It was indeed a great pleasure and a privilege.. We will keep you and all of your family in our thoughts, and in our hearts until we know you are strong again.*

Rest peacefully in Paradise Mrs. Knight.

Dr. Robert N. Dail, DDS. and Mary

Robert N. Dail, DDS - November 18, 2021 at 08:26 PM

DJ

“ *Vernie,*

Dad has so many great memories of your time at NASA together, golf trips, the trips you and Sherrell took with he and Mom (Libby), and more recently we remember some special beach vacations when the two of you joined our families in the Outer Banks. You, Joni and family are in our prayers as walk through this season of grief and loss.

Dottie and Ronald James

Ed Burcher

Dottie James - November 17, 2021 at 02:51 PM