



## Marjorie Meyerle

November 5, 1944 - May 19, 2025

Our cherished Marjorie Hamilton Meyerle, 80, has succumbed to an unexpected illness on May 19, 2025. Marjorie's husband of over 40 years, Michael Hilary Meyerle, preceded her in death in 2018. She is survived by her three sons: Jon Hamilton Meyerle and his wife, Catherine of Ardmore, Pennsylvania; Gerald Michael Meyerle and his wife Prachi of Arlington, Virginia; and James Edward Meyerle and his husband Nick of San Francisco, California.

Marjorie was an inspirational teacher of high school English. Her career was spent primarily at Boulder High School (CO), Woodbridge High School (VA), and Eaglecrest High School (CO). She started teaching while Mike was stationed at Fort Lewis during the Vietnam War and continued to teach and contribute to the support of her family until retirement. Growing up in Seattle, she attended high school at Mount Lake Terrace and lived on Queen Anne Hill. She initially enrolled at the University of Washington, but transferred to Washington State University where she met and pursued the love of her life, Mike. Following their marriage shortly after college graduation, they decamped to Boulder for three years so Mike could complete his law degree at the University of Colorado. They subsequently returned to Washington for Mike's military service at Fort Lewis where their son Jon was born. After Mike's discharge from the Army, they spent almost 15 years in Boulder punctuated by the birth of Jerry and later Jim. They lived in Gunbarrel Greens

where they were members of the Meadows Club and First Presbyterian Church; weekends were spent at Big Elk Meadows in Rocky Mountain National Forest. Mike's work took the family East to the Washington, D.C. area for ten years. They returned to Franktown, CO, and had a second home in Green Valley, AZ. Mike and Marjorie remained in Colorado until Mike's death and were active in the Parker Area Historical Society. Marjorie loved Virginia's rich history, warm climate, and proximity to national politics, and returned to Arlington after Mike's death where she became a fixture of the Shirlington Village Condominium community until shortly before her passing. Marjorie was a published writer and a woman of intellect. She inspired her sons and her students to think critically and she led by example. Always athletic, she was an avid tennis player before she developed rheumatoid arthritis in mid-life. This condition catalyzed her writing career. She spent many summers at the Bread Loaf Writers conference in Vermont and later at the Virginia Center for the Creative Arts. Later in life, she devoted her time to reading and contributing to her community through her love of literature.

Her surviving grandchildren are Sofia Meyerle of Arlington, and Kelsey, Grace and Grant Meyerle of Ardmore. Two of her three sisters preceded her in death. Marjorie will finally have the opportunity to join her soulmate, Mike, in the House of our Lord. She will be missed for her probing mind, her encyclopedic memory of literature, and her ability to brighten the world with her intellect. She was an inspiration to many and lived a life true to her convictions. A private service will be held followed by a memorial in Colorado. Donations may be made in her name to the Animal Welfare League of Arlington (VA) and the Parker Area Historical Society (CO).