



Donna Worsham Jayson

July 26, 1944 - May 13, 2015

Donna Jayson, 70, of Melbourne FL, passed away peacefully at her home Wednesday May 13, 2015 after a brief battle with cancer surrounded by family and friends. She died like she lived, with grace and elegance.

Born in Lynchburg and raised in Altavista, she relocated to Lynchburg as an adult. While residing in Lynchburg, she managed the office of her Congressman in that District. When he stepped down, she moved to Richmond and then to Florida in 1996 where she flourished in the field of law and the corporate world.

Donna lived life to the fullest, with a real curiosity and sense of adventure. She was also a talented artist, interior designer, and a great dancer. She enjoyed the Florida Sunshine and great beaches.

She will be greatly missed by her family and friends. Her infectious smile and personality will forever be in our hearts.

She is survived by her mother, Lina Hale Ore, of Forest; two aunts, five cousins, her devoted life companion Guerard Howard and her two faithful Jack Russell puppies, Juba Lee and Jackson.

A graveside service will be conducted at 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, May 27, 2015

at Kedron Baptist Church Cemetery by the Rev. Brian Reynolds.

The family suggests that those wishing to make memorials consider Angels in the Attic Thrift Store, 7200 N. Wickham Rd., Melbourne, FL 32940 or Sanctuary Thrift Shop, 5000 N. Wickham Rd., Melbourne, FL 32940.

Cemetery Details

Kedron Baptist Church Cemetery

7862 Brookneal HWY
Gladys, VA 24554

Previous Events

Graveside Service

MAY 27. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

SA

“ *Sally lit a candle in memory of Donna
Worsham Jayson*



Sally - May 23, 2015 at 05:53 PM

SA

*To Aunt Lina and all of Donna's family,
I didn't know Donna well although we were first cousins. On the few
occasions that I did see Donna I remember a "movie star" looking gal
who lit up a room when she walked in. I remember that children were
always attracted to Donna too. Her big bright eyes and wonderfully
friendly smile were gems!!
Kind regards,
Sally Buck (Marian Hale's daughter)*

Sally - May 23, 2015 at 06:03 PM

AW

“ *I am so sorry to hear of Ms. Donna's passing.
We only "met" in person a couple of times but
I feel as if I'd known her my entire life. I
remember (even @the young age of 7/8) the
pride & love her mother Ms. Lina, who was
my 2nd grade teacher, (one of my most favorite) had for her. Ms.
Donna was a beauty & I see now her beauty was timeless. God
bless you each & may He fill your hearts with an abundance of
memories.*



Abbie Dawson Witt - May 20, 2015 at 10:18 PM

PS

“ I was deeply saddened by the news of Donna's passing. She was a gorgeous dynamic women.

My heart felt condolences to Jerry and all of Donna's loved ones.

Love and Prayers, Pegeen Robbins Standish, Donna's cousin

Peg Standish - May 20, 2015 at 08:47 PM

WF

“ Condolences to the Jayson family. Our thoughts and prayers go out to your whole family. Psalms 147:3 says Jehovah God, "heals the broken hearted, and binds up their wounds." May God bring you comfort and peace.

Williams Family - May 19, 2015 at 09:12 PM



“ Rose Garden Heart was purchased for the family of Donna Worsham Jayson .



May 19, 2015 at 11:55 AM

RR

“ From childhood on, cousin Donna intrigued me. She likely thought of me as pretty goofy as I stared at her admiring her beauty (those eyes!), free spirit and ease with which she spoke with those much older than she. Marian, my mother saw Donna almost as a sister. Back then, Donna had this love of horses which fueled the love of them in me each time our family visited Virginia. Distance and 'life' kept us from becoming close but I'm thankful that we finally did connect over the past 10 years. That which I admired in her when I was a kid, still there.

Donna, I believe Heaven has horses but of course, you already know that. Pick a gentle one for me.

Love you.

Rennie Robbins, 1st cousin, daughter of Marian Hale.

Rennie Robbins - May 19, 2015 at 08:36 AM

TL

“ Donna was the sister I never had and I suppose I was the brother she never had. With both of us being the only children of school teaching sisters, we shared a lot over the years I can assure you. I want to thank her soulmate Jerry for making the last 21 years of her life complete up to the minute of her very last breath. Donna, you will be missed and we will see each other again.

Trey Lewis - May 18, 2015 at 08:04 PM

CK

“ Cocoa Beach Florida Kiwanis club wishes to extend our sympathy to the family of Donna

Jayson. We join you and the many others who will miss her. The club has made a donation to the Angel in the Attic thrift store in her name.

cocoa Beach Kiwanis - May 18, 2015 at 09:47 AM

CK

“ Cocoa Beach Kiwanis lit a candle in memory of Donna Worsham Jayson



cocoa Beach Kiwanis - May 18, 2015 at 09:40 AM

PP

“ Donna and myself where really good friends in school and use to spend the night at each others home during our younger years. After we finished school together, we went our seperate ways and years later became friends again. Emailing each other and just going over old times. I had wondered in the past 6 or 8 months what had happened, didn't hear a word from Donna. I am so sorry about this and I'm sure she will be greatly missed. I will miss our talks by email. Rest in peace Donna. Your friend, Pat



Pat Puckette - May 18, 2015 at 08:43 AM

JW

“ My beautiful cousin, been years, I had no idea what had happened to you or where you lived now, not to mention the fact that you were ill, I loved you so, you will be missed terribly,

Janet D. Worsham - May 17, 2015 at 06:50 PM

SM

“ *Sandra Worsham McManus lit a candle in memory of Donna Worsham Jayson*



Sandra Worsham McManus - May 17, 2015 at 03:00 PM

SM

Rest in Peace. Prayers, Sandra Worsham McManus

Sandra Worsham McManus - May 17, 2015 at 03:01 PM

EE

“ *Eugene & Mary Edmonds lit a candle in memory of Donna Worsham Jayson*



Eugene & Mary Edmonds - May 14, 2015 at 09:20 PM



Ronda Plummer

In memory of Donna Ray 🌹🙏

Ronda Plummer - May 17, 2015 at 11:36 PM

KW

“ *Kathy Krantz Walker lit a candle in memory of Donna Worsham Jayson*



Kathy Krantz Walker - May 14, 2015 at 07:35 PM

JK

“ *Janice Kelley lit a candle in memory of Donna
Worsham Jayson*



Janice Kelley - May 14, 2015 at 03:52 PM