



Estelle May Maddox Dowden

March 13, 1931 - March 6, 2019

Estelle May Maddox Dowden, 87, of Long Island died Wednesday, March 6, 2019 at Autumn Care of Altavista. She was the wife of the late James Franklin Dowden.

She was born March 13, 1931 in Loudoun County, a daughter of the late Herbert D. Maddox and Selina Virginia Payne Maddox. She was a member of Crosspoint Altavista, Red Hill DAR Chapter, and the Wycliffe Associates of Lynchburg. May was a homemaker that enjoyed sewing, cooking, reading, gardening, taking care of her grandchildren and serving her Lord.

She is survived by two sons, David Dowden and his wife, Wendy of Long Island and Dale Dowden and his wife, Julie of Princeton, NC; a daughter, Lynn Miller and her husband, Steve of Hurt; eleven grandchildren, Stephanie Butler (Dan), Rebecca Miller, Sarah Borman (Don), Patrick, Wayne, Victoria, and Paige Dowden, Kaitlyn Babish, Andrew Tyler, Laura Hedden (Hank), and Ben Dowden (Lene'); and seven great grandchildren, Maddie, Hannah, Rion, River, Benjamin, Ryleigh Mae, and Raylan.

A funeral service will be conducted at 2:00 p.m., Saturday, March 9, 2019 at Crosspoint, 1000 7th Street, Altavista by the Rev. Steve Miller and Pastor Ben Dowden with burial to follow at Altavista Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends prior to the service at the church beginning at 1:00 p.m. and other times at the residence of Lynn Miller, 114 Prospect Rd., Hurt.

The family suggests that those wishing to make memorials consider the Resourcing Christian Education International, P.O. Box 4528, Wheaton, IL 60189 (Account # 12907 Ministry of Rebecca Sue Miller - Christian Int'l School of Prague) or Gideons International, 2900 Lebanon Rd., Nashville, TN 37214.

Finch and Finch Funeral and Cremation Service, Altavista is in charge of arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Altavista Memorial Park

642 Wards Road
Altavista, VA 24517

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 9. 1:00 PM (ET)

Crosspoint Church
1000 7th St.
Altavista, VA 24517

Funeral Service

MAR 9. 2:00 PM (ET)

Crosspoint Church
1000 7th St.
Altavista, VA 24517

Tribute Wall



“ *Finch & Finch, Inc. Funeral & Cremation Service created a Tribute Video in memory of Estelle May Maddox Dowden*



Finch & Finch, Inc. Funeral & Cremation Service - March 08, 2019 at 01:53 PM

WG

“ *Dear Family: I just learned of May's passing. For her, this was a promotion. She has attained all that she has served for all her life. Your family has been so important to me for 50 years. My love, prayers and sympathy to you all.*
Wes Gillespie



Wes Gillespie - March 09, 2019 at 11:36 PM

TD

“ *To the Dowden Family,
We have known your family since the 60's when we attended the same church in Chantilly. We are sending our sympathy to all of you. We are praying for you and your family.*
Tom and Mary Duvall

Tom Duvall - March 09, 2019 at 05:18 PM



“ 3 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Finch & Finch, Inc. Funeral & Cremation Service - March 09, 2019 at 08:04 AM

JC

“ *JoAnn Rice CNA lit a candle in memory of Estelle May Maddox Dowden*



JoAnn Rice CNA - March 08, 2019 at 11:58 PM

JC

“ *You're All In My Thoughts and Prayers With Sympathy and Love*



Jo Ann Rice CNA - March 08, 2019 at 11:45 PM



“ 20 files added to the album Life Tributes



Finch & Finch, Inc. Funeral & Cremation Service - March 08, 2019 at 11:55 AM

GW

“ Sorry for your loss

Gwenda Willard - March 08, 2019 at 09:10 AM

ER

“ Edna Robertson lit a candle in memory of Estelle May Maddox Dowden



Edna Robertson - March 08, 2019 at 07:13 AM

RS

I had a vision of you May..Transioned into Christ presents and the greatest celebration I have ever seen

Richard Sharp Sr - March 08, 2019 at 10:27 AM

SD

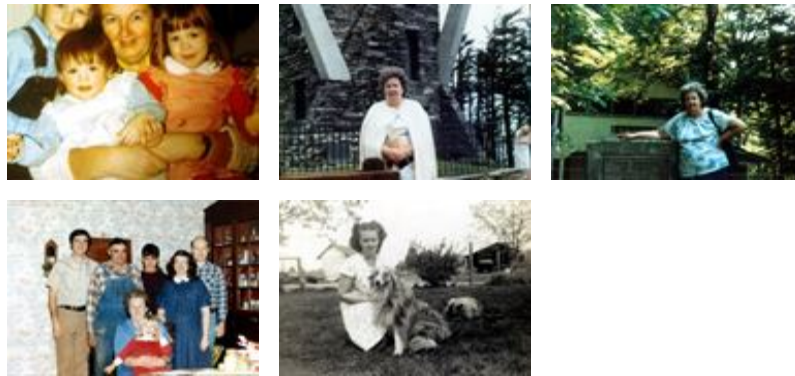
“ Lynn, David and family, So sorry to hear about your Mom. She was a special lady and will be missed by all. We are so grateful to have had the privilege of knowing Mr. and Mrs. Dowden. Our prayers are with you all during this difficult time. Steve and Jean Dalton



Steve and Jean Dalton - March 07, 2019 at 08:28 PM



“ 36 files added to the album LifeTributes



Finch & Finch, Inc. Funeral & Cremation Service - March 07, 2019 at 04:37 PM

JM

“ Prayers for all the family. Mrs. Dowden was a true inspiration to us all. I never will forget the day she came to the rescue when we were on the way to a race at Richmond and David's vehicle broke down. She brought us a car to get there in time and insisted that she would wait with the broken down vehicle. She was a wonderful Christian lady. Heaven gained another angel.

Janet Mays

Janet Mays - March 07, 2019 at 02:47 PM

JM

“ *Janet Mays lit a candle in memory of Estelle
May Maddox Dowden*



Janet Mays - March 07, 2019 at 02:43 PM