



## Shirley Lawhorne Searce

April 10, 1934 - May 12, 2021

Shirley Lawhorne Searce, 87, of Danville, VA, died on Wednesday May 12, 2021, at SOVAH Health-Danville, after a decline in health for the past few months.

Mrs. Searce was born in Danville, VA, on April 10, 1934, a daughter of the late Jack Lawrence Lawhorne and Emma Kirby Lawhorne. She was a homemaker and lived in Raleigh, NC, before moving back to Danville later in life. In her spare time, she loved reading and working in her rose garden. She was of the Baptist Faith.

She was a faithful and loving wife to her husband, Wayne H. Searce, who predeceased her on January 23, 2003.

She is survived by two sons, Michael W. Searce (Jean) of Danville, VA, and Dennis R. Searce (Kenny) of Creedmoor, NC; a daughter, Debra Kay Searce (Joey), of Danville, VA; five grandchildren, Michael J. Searce, Kimberly S. McDaniel (Larry), Melissa S. McGee (Sean), Leah Bowling (Collin), and Betsy Massoud (Gary); nine great grandchildren, Sydney, Allison, Connor, Mia, MacKenzie, Colton, Emi, Cooper, and Caden; a brother, Rev. Eugene Lawhorne; and a niece, Brenda Gibbs.

In addition to her parents and husband, she is predeceased by two sisters,

Loretta Barbour and Estell Guill; three brothers, Paul, Lawrence, and Edgar Lawhorne.

A Graveside Service will be held on Sunday, May 16, 2021 at 2:00 PM in Highland Burial Park with the Reverend Eugene Lawhorne officiating. The family will receive friends at the residence of her son Michael Searce, 116 Larchmont Way, Danville, VA, 24541.

Wrenn-Yeatts North Main Chapel is serving the Searce family.

# Cemetery Details

## Highland Burial Park

3049 North Main Street  
Danville, VA

# Tribute Wall



“ *Precious family members, my prayers are with you in your sudden and sad loss. We are never ready to say goodbye to our loved ones but we can rejoice that Shirley is in a peaceful place and in the presence of our Lord Jesus. I regret not being with you tomorrow; I will certainly be with you in spirit. Between covid and the gas crisis this is yet another frustration to being able to gather. ]*

*I have fond memories of the little country cabin your dad and mom shared with the family; we had several delightful reunions there and they were always such gracious hosts. I also can remember they married so young and always seemed so happy and in love, a wonderful model for all your family.*

*May God bless and comfort you all and hold you close together in the days ahead.*

*Love and prayers,*  
*Barbara Roberts (Marie's daughter)*



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**Barbara Roberts** - May 15, 2021 at 07:53 PM



“ *To the Entire Family: I wish to convey my sincere sympathy in the loss of your Dear Family Member!*

*My thoughts and prayers will be with all of you during this difficult time.*

*Gerald Gibson*

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**Gerald Gibson** - May 14, 2021 at 05:42 PM

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“ *Chris Lawhorne lit a candle in memory of Shirley Lawhorne Searce*



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**Chris Lawhorne** - May 14, 2021 at 07:29 AM