



## Gearlene Franklin Searce

February 5, 1932 - July 13, 2018

On July 13, 2018, Gearlene Franklin Searce, of Danville, left this earthly life to spend eternity in heaven with God and those friends and loved ones who have gone on before.

Born February 5, 1932, she was the daughter of the late Clyde and Minnie Franklin of Danville. In addition to her parents she was predeceased by her first husband, Waverly Searce and their beloved daughter, Vickie Searce Dalton. She was also predeceased by her second husband, Sonny White, and sisters Helen Ratliff and Margie Smith.

She was well known throughout the area as an expert seamstress and gardener. She was a member of Faith Memorial Baptist Church. She loved to cook and was always ready to lend a helping hand.

She is survived by her brother, Joel Franklin and wife Lana, of Clearwater, FL; along with several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held at the Wrenn-Yeatts Westover Chapel on Monday, July 16, 2018 at 1:00 PM with the Reverend Daniel Lackey officiating. Interment will follow in Danville Memorial Gardens. The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial donations may be made to the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 3907, Martinsville, VA

The family wishes to extend its heartfelt appreciation to the wonderful staff at Roman Eagle who were so good to her during the last few months of her earthly life.

Wrenn-Yeatts Westover Chapel is serving the Searce family.

# Cemetery Details

## Danville Memorial Gardens

510 Church Avenue  
Danville, VA

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 16. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Wrenn-Yeatts Westover Chapel  
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# Tribute Wall

MK

“ My deepest sympathy, Gearlene was an amazing woman and was the seamstress my mother always carried us to when we were growing up. She lived a full life.

Marsha Kent  
Fredericksburg, Virginia

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**Marsha A Kent** - July 16, 2018 at 08:06 PM

DS

“ I was very sadden to hear of Gearlene's passing, she was always welcoming and very nice with me. I'm certain that Vickie was the first to greet and hug her mom as they were rejoined in Heaven.

Danny and Carolyn Sparrow  
Delray Beach, FL.

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**Danny Sparrow** - July 16, 2018 at 02:18 PM

DW

“ Thinking of Gearlean's family and friends today and sending our thoughts and prayers! She was a wonderful lady and I know she will be missed by so many!

Love,  
Denny & Dianne ❤️

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**Dianne White** - July 16, 2018 at 12:10 PM

JS

“ John & Teresa Sherrill lit a candle in memory of Gearlene Franklin Searce



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**John & Teresa Sherrill** - July 15, 2018 at 05:39 PM

JS

*Gearlene was such a sweet & beautiful lady. She will be sadly missed by all of her family & friends. Our thoughts & prayers are with all of the family! Deepest Sympathy.*

**John & Teresa Sherrill** - July 15, 2018 at 05:45 PM

KH

“ *Deepest condolences & heartfelt sympathies to all. Gearlene was a Blessing to all, I will always love & miss her gentle spirit. Fly high my friend until we meet again....*



**Kathy Edwards Hamlett** - July 15, 2018 at 02:50 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Gearlene Franklin Searce.*



July 15, 2018 at 10:22 AM

SF

“ *Sydney Franklin lit a candle in memory of Gearlene Franklin Searce*



**Sydney Franklin** - July 15, 2018 at 08:11 AM

BM

*I remember Joel taking Jerry & me to meet Gearlene at her home & how gracious she was to us. Made us feel so welcome. My sincere thoughts & prayers for the family.*

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**Barbara Talbott Mode** - July 15, 2018 at 07:41 PM