

## Anne Lindsey Bengel Slater

Anne Lindsey Slater was born on July 27, 1933 in Washington, DC. The daughter of Bernice and William Bengel and sister to Jean, Anne passed away peacefully in the early morning hours of October 4, 2023 in Glen Mills, PA. Anne was 90 years old. Her loved ones had visited with her during the day at her apartment in Rose Court in the Maris Grove Retirement Community.

Anne spent her early childhood in Richmond, Virginia and then her family moved to Silver Spring Maryland where she graduated from Montgomery Blair High School. She went on to earn her Bachelor's degree from the University of Maryland where she met Sheldon Harris Slater. Anne and Sheldon were married after her graduation in 1955. Anne was a devoted wife, supporting Sheldon's military career in the Air Force for more than 20 years. She traveled with Sheldon to each of his assignments to Thailand, Korea, and Turkey. As well as several within the United States. At many locations Anne taught English as a Second Language. While they were stationed in Texas, Anne received her master's degree in reading from Central State University. When they settled in Newark, Delaware, Anne taught Second Grade at Mount Aviat Academy for more than 20 years. When she retired from teaching she continued to volunteer at Mt. Aviat.



Anne and Sheldon celebrated 65 years of marriage. They have four children; Sharon Anne of Mentor, Ohio, Lindsey Marie of Wilmington, Delaware, William Sheldon of West Grove, Pennsylvania and Jonathan Bengel of New London, New Hampshire. In addition they have six grandchildren & seven great grandchildren.

Being active in her church was an important part of Anne's life. She was the Senior Warden and a lay minister at Church of the Redemption in Baltimore, Maryland for many years. She visited parish members taking them weekly communion. Anne also sang in the choir, assisted with Bingo, worked at fundraisers and was dedicated to her community.

Throughout their travels Anne was an avid doll collector, creating a large collection from all over the world. In addition to her interest in gardening, Anne enjoyed reading, creating needle work pieces and loved to travel within the U.S. and abroad. She and Sheldon attended yearly Kaleidoscope Conventions developing an extensive collection. Anne was a generous cook and baker, donating items to each community fundraiser. Family and friends looked forward to her annual Christmas gifts of the best fruitcake, pound cake and cookies.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to the Aviat Foundation Endowment Trust in memory of Anne. Donations may be mailed to: 399 Childs Road, Childs, MD 21916. A memorial service will be held at Mount. Aviat Academy in Holy Family Hall on Friday December 29<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m., all are invited to attend. Luncheon will follow the service.