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Member of The Month

Betsy Torreson Jones

Betsy Torreson Jones was born here in Washington DC, grew up in Bethesda, went to Marietta College in Ohio majoring in speech and drama. She married Sherfy Jones in 1958 and they moved to Arlington where they raised three children, Sharon, Kevin and Jenny. Betsy was an accomplished artist in pen and ink, pastels, and oils. She spent over 30 years serving as a Girl Scout leader, guiding many girls from Brownies all the way through Mariner Scouts. She was a devoted member of Cherrydale United Methodist Church, where she led the Miriam Circle, served as a Stephen Minister, and held innumerable other volunteer positions. Betsy and Sherfy spent as much time as possible at their cottage in Rehoboth Beach. They enjoyed entertaining their friends and spending time with family, especially grandchildren Eric, Lauren, Lindsay, Alexandra, Nathan, Joshua, Becca and Maddie. Few people have lived as generous a life as Betsy. Her glorious talents as artist, her loving heart, treasured sense of humor, and hearty laugh will be dearly missed by all who knew her.



Betsy Jones

GIRL SCOUT LEADER

Betsy Jones, 73, an Arlington resident who was active in scouting and church activities, died March 19 at Virginia Hospital Center in Arlington. She had cancer.

Mrs. Jones was a Girl Scout leader for more than 30 years and a member of Cherrydale United Methodist Church for more than 40 years. She did volunteer work at the church and was active in charitable organizations.

Elizabeth Torreson was born in Washington and raised in Bethesda. She was a 1955 graduate of Bethesda-Chevy Chase High School and a 1959 graduate of Marietta College in Ohio.

Her hobbies included painting.

Survivors include her husband of 52 years, Sherfy Jones of Arlington; three children, Sharon Bomgardner of McLean and Kevin Jones and Jenny Holsinger, both of Arlington; and eight grandchildren.

— Adam Bernstein