



## Madra Elizabeth Thomas

April 4, 1949 - January 4, 2018

Madra Elizabeth Thomas, 68, of Mechanicville, Maryland passed away peacefully in her home on Jan. 4, 2018. Madra was born April 4, 1949 in Washington D.C to Harry Douglas Cuffage and Esther Louise Schofield. She lived in the Maryland area for much of her life, and graduated from Crossland High School, of Camp Springs, Maryland in 1967. A year later, Madra married her high school sweetheart and love of her life Cecil Ray Smith Jr. on August 8th 1968. Madra was known for her energetic enthusiasm for life and playful sense of humor. Her presence was the life and soul of any occasion, and she never failed to make you smile. She had an interest in horticulture, and worked in a floral shop and greenhouse for some time before retiring to be a dutiful full-time mother to her children.

Madra is survived by her children, Melissa (Daryl) Proctor, Phillip (Jessica) Thomas, and Brittany Thomas; five grandchildren whom she doted over; Chelsey, Alexis, Emma, Nicholas and Dylan. She is also survived by her siblings, Terri (Myron) Nickel, Karen Foster, Kathy (John) Potter, Susan Salus, Michael (Cindy) Cuffage, Harry Cuffage Jr, Barbara (Robert) Phibbons, Sandra Wilkins, and Nancy Smith, as well as many beloved cousins, nephews and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, and her husband Cecil Ray, a casualty of the Vietnam War. She will be laid to rest with Cecil Ray at Arlington National Cemetery in Arlington, VA on February 26th, 2018 at 1pm. In lieu of flowers, Madra requested that donations be made to The Wounded Warrior

Project.