



Madeline Combs Davis

October 20, 1930 - August 6, 2023

Madeline Combs Davis died on Sunday, August 6, 2023, at her home in Deerfield. Madeline was born on October 20, 1930, in Roanoke, VA., to the late Dr. Fielding Combs and Madeline Burch Combs. The Combs soon moved to Winston-Salem where Madeline grew up. She enjoyed building strong friendships and was involved with church and volunteer opportunities early in life. Even at a young age, she embraced the Spirit and sense of appreciation of an intangible and true presence and tried to live by it. She was selected several summers at an Episcopal Camp she attended as “the spirit girl,” and one of her good friends today loves to tell that story.

After graduating from Reynolds High School, Madeline attended and graduated from Hollins College. She returned to Winston-Salem where she worked as a family social worker and met the love of her life, Roy W. Davis, Jr. They married in 1955, and moved to Asheville in 1960, where they raised their four children and became involved in the community. Madeline volunteered with the welfare department, Asheville Day Nursery, Asheville City Schools PTA, the Junior League, and Meals on Wheels, and served in various capacities at Trinity Episcopal Church for over fifty years.

Madeline enjoyed throughout the years walking, hiking, gardening, tennis, bridge, reading, and interactions with friends and family. She was closely connected to many people, a true friend, and she will be missed.

Madeline is survived by her son, Walton (Maura); daughters, Cissy, Becky (Grady), and Sally; and grandchildren, Henry, Ella, Harriet, and Wilson.

A memorial service will be held at St. Giles Chapel at Deerfield Retirement Community on Saturday, August 26, at 2:00 pm followed by a reception.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Pisgah Legal Services, PO Box 2276, Asheville, NC 28802.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

AUG **26**. 2:00 PM (ET)

St. Giles Chapel of Deerfield Episcopal Retirement Community

1617 Hendersonville Road

Asheville, NC 28803

<http://www.deerfieldwnc.org/st-giles-chapel>

Tribute Wall



“ *Madeline Combs Davis*

October 07, 2023 at 11:15 AM



“ *Sending hugs and prayers to the entire Davis family. I had the wonderful pleasure of knowing your parents throughout childhood and then as an adult when I moved back to Asheville. I treasure memories of catching up with your mom and Mary Ida on their walks by my house.*

Kate Roberts Henry - August 18, 2023 at 07:49 PM



“ *Although I'm a Deerfield resident, I never met Madeline. However, her son Walton is my attorney for my recently deceased spouse's Trust of which I am the Trustee. Walton is a mensch - one of the kindest, most thoughtful men I've ever met. When he was often at Deerfield caring for his mother, he dropped by with documents that needed signing. Madeline must have been a marvelous mother.*

Mary Lou Mayer - August 14, 2023 at 09:32 PM



“ *Please accept our condolences. Madeline was always with a smile and a kind word. Her sense of humor always a pleasant surprise. We were fortunate to know her and Roy and family at Trinity Episcopal Church for many, many years. So our hearts go out to all the family. May you find God's peace moving forward.*
Ann and Charlie Howell

Ann Howell - August 13, 2023 at 03:12 PM

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“ *To all the Davis family: I am so sorry for your loss. Madeline was one of the most kind and gentle persons I had the pleasure of knowing. May she rest in peace.*

Larry Harris - August 13, 2023 at 08:25 AM