



## Joyce Gretchen Bivins

August 13, 1946 - March 8, 2025

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of Joyce Gretchen Bivins, a beloved wife, mother, sister, grandmother, and friend. Joyce peacefully passed away on March 8, 2025, at the age of 78.

Born in Harrisburg, PA, on August 13, 1946, Joyce brought warmth, laughter, and love to everyone she encountered. Throughout her life, she embraced the things that brought her joy, including her deep love for fishing, crafting with her Cricut machine, and traveling to new places. However, what brought her the most happiness was spending cherished moments with her family, especially her adored grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Joyce's favorite pastime was Bingo, where she made countless memories with friends and family. She found joy in the simple things, always making sure to savor every moment spent with those she loved. She will be remembered for her unwavering love, kindness, and the ability to bring people together.

Joyce is survived by her loving husband, Curtis Bivins; her sons, John Bivins (Kelly) and Craig Bivins (Kristen); her sister, Lynette Madden; her brother, Michael Madden; and her many treasured grandchildren. She is also survived by numerous nieces, nephews, and extended family members who will all miss her deeply. She was preceded in death by her mother, Nawassa Madden; her sister, Ramona L Bates; and her brother, John Madden.

As the devoted wife of Curtis, a United States Marine Corp and Air Force Retiree, she embraced a life of adventure, living in incredible places such as Alaska, Colorado, Texas, and California before eventually returning to Pennsylvania. Every other year, she and Curtis set out on cross-country car journeys with their children to visit family.

In their younger years, Joyce and her family enjoyed the rugged beauty of the Alaskan and Colorado mountains, the vast Mojave Desert of California, and a wonderful time in Austin, Texas. Whether she was skinning rabbits in her Alaskan kitchen or sharing the magic of a B.B. King performance with Curtis, she embraced life with enthusiasm. Joyce also found great joy in exploring flea markets with her sisters, mother, and brother, treasuring the simple pleasures of time spent together.

Joyce's legacy of love, creativity, and family devotion will continue to inspire all who had the privilege of knowing her. She will be deeply missed, but forever in our hearts.

FAMILY AND FRIENDS ARE ENCOURAGED TO CLICK ON THE SHARE A MEMORY TAB TO POST VIDEOS, SHARE MEMORIES, CONDOLENCES, REFLECTIONS OR SIMPLY LEAVE YOUR NAME.

# Cemetery Details

## Indiantown Gap National

Indiantown Gap Road  
Anville, PA 17003

# Previous Events

## Flower Delivery

MAR 20. 8:30 AM (ET)

Wallace Funeral Directors Inc.  
106 Agnes St  
Harrisburg, PA 17104  
(717) 939-9950  
wallacefuneraldirectors@gmail.com  
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## Viewing

MAR 20. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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## Service

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MAR **20**. 12:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ Wallace Funeral Directors created a Webcast in memory of Joyce Gretchen Bivins



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**Wallace Funeral Directors** - March 20, 2025 at 11:07 AM

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“ She was a sweet soul and always had candy in her purse and a beautiful smile. May she RIP 🙏

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**Denise Williams** - May 14, 2025 at 09:57 PM

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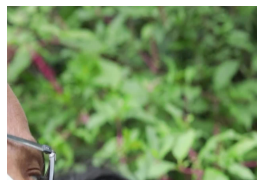
“ I'm sending my sincere condolences to the Madden family. RIP Joyce

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**Kathy Burney Poole** - March 24, 2025 at 11:40 AM

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“ 1 file added to the album Mom



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**John Bivins** - March 20, 2025 at 09:34 AM

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*Beautiful! Lol*

**Andy** - March 22, 2025 at 09:01 AM

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“ *The Saling's purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Joyce Gretchen Bivins.*



**The Saling's** - March 18, 2025 at 01:49 PM