



Dorothy Richard Shahan

July 24, 1932 - February 18, 2026

Dorothy Richard Shahan of Dover, Delaware, passed away peacefully on February 18, 2026, at Bayhealth Medical Center following a short illness. She was 93 years old.

Born on July 24, 1932, in Templeville, Maryland, Dorothy was the daughter of Truman Richard and Anna Anderson. She was raised on her family's farm in Templeville alongside her 12 siblings.

Dorothy graduated from Greensboro High School and went on to attend Salisbury State Teachers College, now known as Salisbury University, where she was well known for her athleticism. After college, she briefly pursued a career in teaching before dedicating herself fully to her greatest calling — being a devoted wife, mother, and homemaker.

A lifelong lover of animals, Dorothy had a special passion for horses and remained actively involved with them throughout her life. She also found great joy in genealogy, spending years researching and preserving her family's history. In her 40s, Dorothy discovered a love for golf that would become one of her proudest accomplishments. At the remarkable age of 83, she earned the title of Garrison Lake Golf Club Women's Champion. This past year, Dorothy completed a personal milestone by writing a book of her life stories, many of which beautifully captured her cherished experiences with horses. She will be deeply missed.

Along with Dorothy's parents, she is preceded in death by her twelve siblings. Dorothy is survived by her three sons: Paul Shahan (Alice) of Corning, New

York; John Shahan (Lisa) of Allen, Maryland; and Roger Shahan of Corning, New York. She leaves behind a treasured legacy of eight grandchildren, thirteen great-grandchildren, and many beloved nieces and nephews. Services will be held at Fleegle and Helfenbein Funeral Home in Greensboro, Maryland, on Saturday, March 7. Visitation will begin at 11:00 a.m., followed by a funeral service at 12:00 p.m. A reception will follow at the Ridgely Fire Hall.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Greensboro Historical Society, 609 West Sunset Avenue, Greensboro, MD 21639.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 7. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Fleegle and Helfenbein Funeral Home
106 W Sunset Ave
Greensboro, MD 21639
(410) 482-8914

Funeral Service

MAR 7. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ I was so sorry to hear about the loss of your mother. I have fond memories of spending time with my sister Esther and my brother Arthur at your mom's farm. She shared her love of horses with us and patiently taught us how to ride them, our favorite horse was Chester. She also took us on memorable carriage rides. I remember too that she would take the time and effort to make the family tree poster for our Richard family reunions. My thoughts are with you during your time of grief. Love Truman (Lee)Richard

Lee Richard - March 01 at 08:33 PM

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“ Prayers of peace and comfort to her family and friends.



Regina Crossley - February 26 at 08:12 AM

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“ Rusty Editha Towers lit a candle in memory of Dorothy Richard Shahan



Rusty Editha Towers - February 25 at 02:04 PM