



## Joyce Predmore

July 10, 1938 - June 24, 2025

Joyce Predmore, a beacon of love and cherished matriarch, passed away on June 24, 2025, in Ocala, Florida, at the age of 86, Surrounded by her family. Born on July 10, 1938, to Neil and Hazel Hartman, in Elizabeth, New Jersey, Joyce lived a life marked by devotion to family and an enduring partnership with her beloved husband, James A. Predmore. Together, they navigated the journey of life hand-in-hand for seven decades, having met in Junior year of high school, married for 68 years, and were inseparable,

Joyce grew up in Elizabeth, NJ until 8th grade, when her family moved to Sussex County where she attended Franklin High School, graduating in 1956. She was preceded in death by her brother Alan Hartman. She is survived by a sister-in-law, Diane Predmore, and is a beloved aunt to many nieces and nephews

Joyce met the love of her life, James, and together they built a home filled with joy, laughter, and unwavering support. Their only child, Deborah Estes (Floy), was the light of their lives, and Joyce dedicated herself to providing a nurturing environment for her to thrive. Her role as Nana to her grandchildren, Lindsay Washer (Rob) and Stacey Estes-Greenberg (Jesse), was one she embraced with open arms, delighting in every moment spent with them as she nurtured and cared for them in their early years. She is known as GiGi to her cherished great-grandchildren, Kylie, Emily, and Kiara. Many memories were

created in their home in Florida.

Professionally, Joyce was a dedicated bookkeeper and secretary, bringing her meticulous attention to detail and warm personality to her career. Her colleagues valued her not only for her professional skills but also for her kindness and camaraderie.

Joyce's interests were a reflection of her love for life and beauty. She found solace in being in her yard, tending to her flowers, with a gentle hand. She also took pride in keeping her house in immaculate condition. A voracious reader of romance novels, Joyce also relished the memories of cruising in her early years and in their summer lake house in Pennsylvania where her grandchildren grew up. They also vacationed at the New Jersey Shore, a nod to her roots.

In 1992, Joyce and James made the move to Fort Myers, Florida, before finally settling in Dunnellon, Florida, in 1997, where they built their dream home. There, Joyce became a central figure in her community, forming deep and lasting friendships. She loved having cocktail hours with neighbors and special friends, who would gather, sharing stories and creating memories.

Joyce's legacy is one of love, commitment, joy and independence. She lived her life with grace and left a lasting impact on all who were fortunate enough to know her. Her spirit will continue to live on through the beautiful family she nurtured and the countless lives she touched with her warmth and generosity.

As we bid farewell to Joyce, we celebrate the life of a woman who was truly the heart of her family, a loyal friend, and a cherished member of her community. Her presence will be deeply missed, but her spirit will forever remain an inspiration to us all.

Cremation was provided by Roberts of Ocala Funerals and Cremations.

Details of a future graveside service in New Jersey will be announced at a later date and time.