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Suffolk, VA

02.27.1929 - 09.26.2020

**Birthplace:** Virginia

Mary Frances Duke, 91, of Suffolk passed away peacefully on Saturday, September 26, 2020.

She was the daughter of the late Horace Edward Lilley and Gladys Brinkley Lilley. She was preceded in death by her husband Milton Eley Duke, stepmother Stella L. Powell, stepsister Donna L. Marino and special sister-in-law Betty D. Baker.

She retired from Suffolk Public Schools where she was a bus driver for 42 years. She was a lifetime member of Cypress Chapel Christian Church and the New Hope Bible Class.

She is survived by her daughter Dianne D. Boone (WC) and Patty Duke; granddaughter Christina L. Story; great-granddaughter Allyson P. Story; sister Anne L. McCormick (Paul); brother Curtis Edward Lilley (Jane); special cousin Melvyn Holloman (Jenny) and many nieces and nephews. Frances would like to recognize special friends Betty Knight, Hilda Hobbs, Charlene Byrd and Betty Bunch. Special thanks to Bobby and Judy Brinkley for their Kindness.

A private graveside funeral service will be held in Holly Lawn Cemetery by Rev Alan Cruz. R. W. Baker & Co. Funeral Home and Crematory, Suffolk is serving the family. Memorial contributions may be made to Cypress Chapel Christian Church, 1891 Cypress Chapel Road, Suffolk VA 23434. Condolences may be registered at [RWBakerFH.com](http://RWBakerFH.com)

## Guestbook

**Frances Davidson**

**Mon, 09/28/2020 -  
08:30pm**

Dianne and Patty. I am so sorry to hear about your mom. My thoughts and prayers are with you

Frances Davidson

**Pamela Oliver**

**Tue, 09/29/2020 -  
07:17am**

Miss Duke was my bus driver for as long as I can remember; we lived in Idlewood bus #60.

In her 42 years I am sure she saw m-a-n-y changes!

Even after graduation, to see her out in public was always a hug and conversation.

She was a great lady and I know you will miss her.

Pamela Oliver

**Pat and Phillip Bailey**

**Tue, 09/29/2020 -  
08:02pm**

Dianne and Patty, we are so sorry to hear about your Mom's passing. Our sincere condolences to you and your family. May GOD give you strength as you face the many first to come.

Pat and Phillip Bailey

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**Shelby derrick**

**Thu, 10/01/2020 -  
11:45am**

Patty and Diane I am so sorry to hear about the loss of Mrs. Duke She was such a sweet lady. I will miss seeing her and our little talks at the mailbox ☹

Shelby derrick

**Shawn Sokol**

**Thu, 10/01/2020 -  
12:55pm**

Diane and WC and Patty and family. I wish to extend my condolences. It was a blessing to live next door to Mrs Duke for 18 years. If I can be of any assistance just let me know. Thanks and may God Bless. Shawn.

Shawn Sokol

