

## Joan Taylor Prewitt

June 16, 1939 – April 5, 2021



Joan Prewitt (nee Taylor) of Wayne, PA, born on June 16, 1939, passed away peacefully on April 5, 2021. She is survived by her loving husband of 58 years, David Prewitt, and three daughters, Mary-Alice (Dale) Michaels, Katherine (Sylvester) and Elizabeth (Andrew); her five grandchildren, Aidan, Declan, Niall, Jack and Tess, as well as her sister Katherine Hutchinson (Dan).

Joan (known to many as Joani) was an avid garden enthusiast and expert floral artist. She exhibited regularly in the Philadelphia Flower Show winning numerous blue-ribbon awards for her submissions and often donated her work for public benefit.

She was beloved as a dynamic and generous personality and strongly believed in giving back. Joan was a graduate of The Baldwin School for Girls in Bryn Mawr and Hollins College in Virginia.

Her work career began as a teacher and later as a substitute teacher during her children's primary school years. She worked as an integral part of her husband's private law practice when it began as an office manager, and in later years worked as a successful real estate agent.

She cared deeply about education of young women, especially her daughters. Joan was heavily involved in supporting Baldwin's mission in various leadership positions, including serving on the Board twice (as head of the Baldwin Mother's and Alumni associations). In addition, she served on the Board of the Junior League of Philadelphia as a Sustainer, the Board of the Women's Resource Center, and she was the second woman to serve on the vestry of St. Martin's Church.

Joan was a passionate supporter of veterans throughout her life, beginning with David's Army service in Vietnam in 1964 as a helicopter pilot, and was a Co-Chair of the Veteran's Committee of Surrey Services. Joan was also

actively involved in planning several of her husband's Dartmouth class reunions and was on the executive board of the Class of 1961. Her life and legacy left an impact on many and she will be greatly missed. A celebration of life is planned for a later date.

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