



## Joan Dorcas Bowden

September 30, 1934 - September 22, 2022

Joan Dorcas Hearn Bowden, 87, passed away peacefully on Thursday, September 22, 2022, in Apex, NC from congestive heart failure.

Joan was born on September 30, 1934, to Leonard Hearn and Greta Crowther Hearn in Runcorn, England. She moved to the United States after she married Donald L. Bowden in October 1955.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Donald L. Bowden and her son in law, Adrian Mitu. She is survived by her children Paul Bowden (Maureen Hardy) of Berlin, Massachusetts and Barbara Bowden Mitu of Cary, NC, grandchildren Alexander Benjamin Mitu and Carmen Nicole Mitu of Cary, NC her brother Tony Hearn (Brenda) of England, sister Margaret Sage (John) of Sandiway, England, brother John Hearn of England and many nieces and nephews.

Joan loved spending time with her family and friends. She spent many happy hours walking on the beach collecting shells, fishing, spending time with her golden retrievers, basset hounds and traveling. She was a woman of many talents. She was an accomplished ballroom dancer, piano player, swimmer and gardener.