



## Doris H. Crocker

May 12, 1928 - June 10, 2023

Mrs. Doris Hickson Crocker, 95 of Tinton Falls, N.J. passed away on June 10, 2023, at home.

Born May 12, 1928, in Burgaw, N.C. to the late Jacob and Kathryn Hickson, she was the third of five daughters.

After she graduated number one in her class from Burgaw's C.F. Pope High School, Doris continued her education at Hampton Institute, where she earned a bachelor's degree. After Hampton, Doris attended Atlanta University, where she earned a Masters of Social Work degree. Her first job after graduating from Atlanta was as a Psychiatric Social Worker at what was then known as Marlboro State Hospital in Marlboro, N.J. There, she met Clinton Crocker, who was stationed at nearby Fort Monmouth, N.J.

Doris and Clinton were married in 1955 and together they reared four children: Clinton, Jr., Leah, Roger, and Ronald. The Crockers were married 59 years before Clinton's death in 2014.

After the youngest of her children reached school age, Doris returned to work and started her career as a school Social Worker, mainly in the Tinton Falls, N.J. school system. Meantime, Doris was a member of the St. Thomas Episcopal Church of Red Bank, where she served on the choir and vestry

before transferring to St. James of Eatontown.

After Doris and Clinton Crocker co-founded NJ-Haiti Partners in 1976, Doris went to Haiti more than two dozen times. She and Clinton hosted countless visitors from Haiti-New Jersey Partners over the years, all the while getting other individuals and organizations interested in the cause of Haiti. Doris also served on the International Board of Directors for Partners of the Americas and attended many international conventions.

Doris's four adult children, 10 grandchildren, and a host of family and friends mourn her passing and celebrate her wonderful life.

Visitation will be from 10am until the service at 11am from the Bongarzone Funeral Home, 2400 Shafto Road, Tinton Falls, NJ 07712. Cremation will be private. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in her memory to: Lunch Break, 121 Drs James Parker Blvd., Red Bank, NJ 07701 ([lunchbreak.org](http://lunchbreak.org)).

# Cemetery Details

**Private**

## Previous Events

### Visitation

JUN **15**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Bongarzone Funeral Home  
2400 Shafto Road  
Tinton Falls, NJ

### Funeral Service

JUN **15**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

SA

“ I knew Doris through our connection with Partners of the Americas. It was such a delight to know her when we shared time at international meetings.

Sallie W Abbas - May 17, 2024 at 10:49 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Doris H. Crocker.

June 26, 2023 at 04:23 PM

JH

“ Thank you for your time and dedication to Partners of the Americas specially "Haiti-New Jersey" and your love for our country Haiti and his people.  
Rest in peace Doris.  
Jessie Haspil from Haiti-Partners.

Jessie Haspil - June 15, 2023 at 12:16 PM

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“ A lovely human being, and humanitarian, a self-made woman, mother, an intelligent leader, mentor, teacher, and a credit to the Social Work profession, Mrs. Crocker will most certainly be missed. However, the gift that she has been, and all that she has given, is part of the beautiful legacy that will continue to bless us for decades to come. We are better people for having crossed her path.

Prayers of peace for her family and friends.  
Mignon (Ivy) Hooper

Mignon Hooper - June 14, 2023 at 03:32 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Doris H. Crocker.



June 14, 2023 at 09:42 AM



“ *The Simmons Family* purchased the *Sweet Remembrance Spray* for the family of Doris H. Crocker.



**The Simmons Family** - June 13, 2023 at 06:25 PM



“ *Blessings.*

**Ethel Fairley Halbedl** - June 12, 2023 at 09:13 AM



“ *Councilwoman Tracy Buckley* purchased the *Beautiful in Blue* for the family of Doris H. Crocker.



**Councilwoman Tracy Buckley** - June 11, 2023 at 06:27 PM



“ *Councilwoman Tracy Buckley* planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Doris H. Crocker.

**Councilwoman Tracy Buckley** - June 11, 2023 at 06:27 PM

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“ *Bongarzone Funeral Home lit a candle in  
memory of Doris H. Crocker*



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**Bongarzone Funeral Home** - June 11, 2023 at 05:42 PM