



Agnes Mae Collins

January 27, 1921 - May 19, 2023

Agnes Mae Quillen Collins, age 102, passed away at her home in Delmar, Delaware on May 19, 2023. She was the daughter of the late Calvin E. “Ned” and Beulah L. Trader Quillen of Taylorville, Maryland. She was preceded in death by her husband John Everett Collins, and her three sisters Pauline L. Clarke, Eunice Q. Sorin, and Rosalee Q. James, and her brother Calvin E. Quillen, Jr.

She is survived by three nieces Janice Sorin Wainwright (Harold), Deborah Anne Carper (Stephen), and Joyce Jeanette James; and a nephew Jeffrey Jay James (Patti). Also surviving are four grandnieces Kimberly Ann Phillips, Katherine E. Carper Ray (Matt), Leah Nicole James, and Laura Michelle James, three grandnephews James “Jay” Richard Phillips IV (Christie), Ryan Cole Evans and Riley James Evans, two great-grandnieces Brooke A. Phillips and Moorea S. Phillips, and kind friend and caregiver of many years Allen and his wife Connie Reustle.

Mrs. Collins was a graduate of Buckingham High School in Berlin, MD. She attended nursing school and received her RN from Memorial Hospital in Wilmington, DE. She was a United States Army nurse, First Lieutenant during WWII and spent one year in Europe caring for wounded soldiers at the 156th General Hospital, in Hereford, England. Mrs. Collins served many years as a career nurse, including in the areas of pediatric and elder care. She worked at the formerly named Peninsula General Hospital, Salisbury, MD and Shangri-La Nursing Home, Delmar, DE, and as a private duty nurse.

Mrs. Collins was a member of St. Stephen's United Methodist Church in Delmar, DE and sang in the church choir for many years. She participated in several community organizations and was a member of the Red Hat Club and Past President of the New Century Club. She was a giving and generous person supporting various charities and philanthropic organizations. She was proficient at word search puzzles and enjoyed her garden and flowers and the many cats she had over the years.

"Aggie" will be remembered by her family for her sense of humor, her remarkable memory of family history, and her many cards and notes of love that touched our lives.

The family wishes to thank Allen and Connie Reustle for their devoted care, and her caregivers of the last two years, including Ms. Sharon Maile, Valerie Mackenzie, Bonnie Phippen, Donna DeMent, Daisy Meyers, Destiny Cooper, Phyllis Adkins, and the Compassionate Care Hospice.

Visitation, open to friends and family will be held on Saturday, May 27, 2023 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at St. Stephen's United Methodist Church, 101 E. State St., Delmar, DE 19940 followed by a funeral service which begins at 11:00 a.m. Interment open to friends and family will follow at St. Stephen's Cemetery in Delmar, DE. The family will receive friends at Camelot Hall at St. Stephen's United Methodist Church after the service for refreshments and fellowship.

A donation in her memory may be made to St. Stephen's United Methodist Church, 101 E. State St., Delmar, DE 19940.

Arrangements are in the care of Short Funeral Home in Delmar. Online condolences may be sent to the family by visiting www.shortfh.com.

Cemetery Details

St. Stephen's Cemetery

State Street
Delmar, DE 19940

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 27. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Stephen's Methodist Church
101 E. State Street
Delmar, DE

Funeral Service

MAY 27. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Stephen's Methodist Church
101 E. State Street
Delmar, DE

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“ Dear Family of Agnes Mae Quillen Collins,
On behalf of the Army Nurse Corps Association (ANCA), please
except our heartfelt condolence for your loss. We honor Aggie’s
memory and her service to this Great Nation. Once an Army Nurse,
always and Army Nurse.

Donna Smawey, AN, MAJ (R) - June 02, 2023 at 02:05 PM

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“ Agnes was a special lady. What experiences she had in her 102
years!
I have a lot of good memories of her - sat beside her in our church
choir for many years and was in our New Century Club with her for
over 40 years. We always relied on her to provide beautiful flower
arrangements, her silver service and linens for our club luncheons,
teas,etc.
In later years I enjoyed transporting her to many affairs and will miss
going around the corner to visit her.
Soar with the angels Aggie!
Becky Brittingham

B B Brittingham - May 26, 2023 at 04:20 PM

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“ B Brittingham lit a candle in memory of Agnes
Collins



B B Brittingham - May 26, 2023 at 04:07 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Agnes Mae Collins.* ”



May 26, 2023 at 11:41 AM



“ *70 files added to the album Life Tributes* ”



Short Funeral Home - May 25, 2023 at 02:58 PM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Agnes Mae Collins.* ”



May 20, 2023 at 06:03 PM