



## Donna Lea Causey

September 23, 1940 - April 21, 2023

Donna Lea Causey, age 82, of Delmar, DE peacefully passed away on Friday, April 21, 2023 surrounded by her loving family. She was born on September 23, 1940 and was the daughter of the late Harold Dutton and Helen Parker. She graduated from Delmar High School in 1958, where she met the love of her life, Kenneth D. Causey. Following high school, she went on to earn her Associate's Degree at Goldey-Beacom College then worked for Firestone Plastics for 29 years, retiring in 1999. Donna was a member of St. Stephen's United Methodist Church and the Delmar Fire Department's Ladies Auxiliary. In 2003, Donna and Ken started to spend their winters in Arcadia, Florida where they made countless friends and even more memories. Donna loved to shop. So much so that for ten years, she orchestrated a fashion show for their community in Florida and there wasn't a department store that didn't know her by name. Donna also loved to travel. She and Ken have been all over the country with their close friends. After 15 years of enjoying the sunshine state, Donna was ready to be home year-round with her grandchildren and later, great grandchildren. Although, that didn't stop her from being the social butterfly that she was, spending every Wednesday playing cards with her closest girlfriends.

She is survived by her loving husband of 62 years, Kenneth Causey; her two sons, Steve Causey (Kim), Kevin Causey (Cindy); four grandchildren, Ryan Causey (Jenna Keefer), Kasie Spindler (Andy), Hunter Causey (Marshall Wells), Zach Causey; 4 great grandchildren, Blake, Kayleigh, Mia, Brianne, a

great grandson due in June; brother, Ed Dutton; brother-in-law, Jim Hitchens; and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, Donna was preceded in death by her step-father, Albert Parker, step-mother, Phyllis Parker, sister, Nancy Hitchens and sister-in-law, Janet Dutton.

A funeral service will be held at 7:00 pm on Wednesday, April, 26, 2023 at Short Funeral Home in Delmar with a visitation starting at 6:00 pm. A graveside service will be held at 11:00 am on Thursday, April 27, 2023, at St. Stephen's Cemetery in Delmar, which will be open to all friends and family. Memorial contributions may be made in Donna's memory to the Delmar Fire Department, P.O. Box 143, 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](http://www.shortfh.com).

# Cemetery Details

## St. Stephen's Cemetery

State Street  
Delmar, DE 19940

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 26. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Short Funeral Home  
13 E Grove Street  
Delmar, DE 19940  
(302) 846-2525

## Funeral Service

APR 26. 7:00 PM (ET)

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13 E Grove Street  
Delmar, DE 19940  
(302) 846-2525

## Graveside Service

APR 27. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Stephen's Cemetery  
State Street  
Delmar, DE 19940



# Tribute Wall



“ *Short Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Donna Lea Causey*



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**Short Funeral Home** - April 26, 2023 at 10:28 AM

DC

“ *We (Donald & Nancy Culver) would like to send our deepest sympathy & condolences to Ken & all the family. I (Don) graduated in 1958 with Ken & Donna. We all went off to college & didn't have much contact with our graduating class until we had some class reunions. Take Care as best you can. see ya, Don & Nancy Culver*

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**Donald Culver** - April 27, 2023 at 02:23 PM

MS

“ *I'm so sorry to hear about Aunt Donna's passing. Prayers to Uncle Ken, Steve, Kevin & their families.*

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**Marian Smith** - April 26, 2023 at 04:30 PM

BB

“ *Bill and I shall always cherish the memories of many years of friendship shared with Donna & Ken from High School to the present.*

*I also have fond childhood memories of Donna as we started school together and only lived 2 houses apart on Pine Street.*

*Our deepest sympathy to all the family.*

*You will be missed dear friend!*

*Becky Brittingham*

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**Becky Brittingham** - April 26, 2023 at 10:56 AM

BB

“ *Becky Brittingham lit a candle in memory of Donna Causey*



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**Becky Brittingham** - April 26, 2023 at 10:41 AM

BT

“ *Ken, so sorry to learn of the passing of Donna. She was quite a special lady. I so enjoyed the luncheons and style shows at LW. Also, time spent with Marv, Jackie. Our sympathy to you and your family.*

*Walt and Betty Tuggle*

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**Betty Tuggle** - April 25, 2023 at 07:12 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Donna Lea Causey.* ”

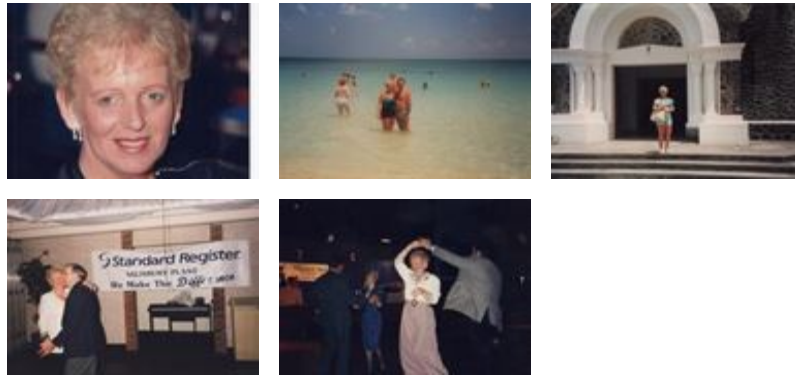


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April 25, 2023 at 04:08 PM



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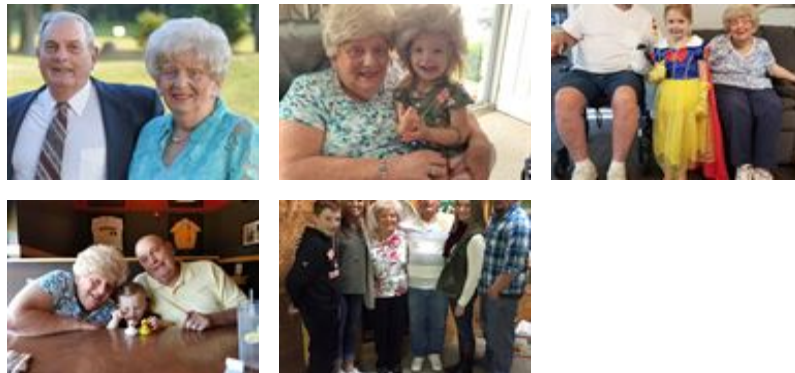


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**Short Funeral Home** - April 25, 2023 at 03:22 PM



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



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**Short Funeral Home** - April 25, 2023 at 10:21 AM

PK

“ So sorry to hear of Donna's passing. My sincere condolences to you & all your family. She had the sweetest smile, will remember her outgoing friendly personality & friendship. Thoughts & Prayers to Ken & Family

PATRICIA KENNEY - April 24, 2023 at 01:40 PM



“ Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Donna Lea Causey.



April 24, 2023 at 11:13 AM

JS

“ 2 files added to the album Evening in 1992



Jim & Nelba Shockley - April 24, 2023 at 09:00 AM

JS

“ Ken,  
We heard today about the loss of your Donna. Our hearts are saddened. We have lovely memories of Donna and want to extend our heartfelt sympathy to you and your family.

*Old Burroughs/Standard Register Friends,  
Jim & Nelba Shockley in Missouri*

Jim & Nelba Shockley - April 23, 2023 at 05:36 PM

KH

“ Donna was such a sweet lady. I knew her most of my life.  
Condolences going out to Ken and all of their Family and Friends.  
She will be missed by so many people.  
Love, Kay Short Habig

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**Kay Short Habig** - April 23, 2023 at 01:06 PM

KS

“ Ken & family , we are so very sorry to hear of Donna's passing.  
Keeping you in our thoughts & prayers at this difficult time . Karen &  
Doug from LW's )

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**Karen & Doug Sibbett** - April 23, 2023 at 12:53 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for  
the family of Donna Lea Causey.



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April 22, 2023 at 05:50 PM