



Jeanne Marie Cohee

April 29, 1946 - March 1, 2025

Jeanne Marie Powell Cohee, wife, mother, daughter, grandmother and great grandmother, passed away at Tidal Health's PCU with her son, Kris, and a longtime friend with her, on Saturday, March 1, 2025, at the age of 78. Born on April 29, 1946, in Milford, DE, she was the loving daughter of the late Ollie Powell, Sr. and Pauline Emily (West) Powell and a member of the Class of '64 from Stephen Decatur High School.

Jeanne's vibrant spirit shone through her lifelong passion for hairdressing. She devoted several years to working in salons and beauty shops before realizing her dream when she became owner and operator of Jeannie's House of Hair, in her home in Mardela Springs. Through her artistry, she built lasting relationships with countless clients over the years. Jeanne was very creative with flowers, crafts and fashion.

Jeanne was an excellent cook who loved to entertain and host large family dinners and holidays. Her family will miss Thanksgivings with Jeanne and especially her hand rolled dumplings and pumpkin pie.

Together with her late husband, Walt, they made countless memories camping, fishing, motorcycle riding and reveling in sunny beach days. They were members of AMSA for many years and especially loved trips to Assateague and attending their yearly jamborees. The last 25 years they enjoyed a permanent campsite at Sandy Hill Family campground making friends & memories.

A devoted mother, she poured her heart into giving support to her sons, Kris

and Trae, attending their school activities, little league, soccer games, and all the milestones that brought them joy. She was a former member of the Mardela Volunteer Fire Company Ladies Auxiliary.

Tragically, Jeanne faced the profound loss of her youngest son, Staff Sgt. Walter F. "Trae" Cohee, III, while serving in Afghanistan in January 2002. This pivotal moment reshaped her life, transforming her into a steadfast Gold Star Mom. With resilience and compassion, she provided support to other parents of veterans, working actively with organizations such as USMC Toys for Tots and Heroes Haven.

Jeanne is survived by her son, Kristian Eric Cohee; granddaughter, Marina Cohee; step granddaughter, Christy Lathe ; her children Chasity, Nikolai and Evelyn; a brother, Alvin Powell; niece, Kelly Varney (Peter); nephew, Stacy Powell; sister-in-law, Dawn Michalik; special friend and confidant, Donna Short (Eddie); foster sister, Courtney Davis; close cousin, James Powell ; and several other nieces, nephews and cousins. Her legacy lives on through the love she shared and the lives she impacted.

In addition to her parents and son, Jeanne was preceded in death by her husband Walter F. Cohee, Jr.; a brother, Ollie Powell, Jr.; and sister-in-law, Susie Powell.

A visitation will be held on Thursday, March 6, 2025, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 at Short Funeral Home in Delmar, and also on Friday, March 7, 2025 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00. Funeral services will follow at 11:00. Following the service, family and friends are invited to gather at Mardela Springs Volunteer Fire House for food (donated by friends) and fellowship. The interment will follow at East New Market Cemetery at 2:00 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in her memory to Heroes Haven Inc, P.O. Box 184, Sharptown, MD 21861 or to the Mardela Springs Volunteer Fire Department, P.O. Box 299, Mardela Springs, MD 21837.

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

East New Market Cemetery

East New Market, MD

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 6. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

Visitation

MAR 7. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Funeral Service

MAR 7. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Short Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Jeanne Marie Cohee



Short Funeral Home - March 06, 2025 at 05:07 PM



“ Short Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Jeanne Marie Cohee



Short Funeral Home - March 06, 2025 at 01:48 PM

DK

So grateful you offer the steaming service because I could not attend. Bless you all for making it a beautiful tribute to my friend of 54 years. Thank you. Diane Kave, Berryville, VA.

Diane Kave - March 07, 2025 at 04:46 PM

JR

“ It is with a heavy heart we have learned of the passing of Jeanne. We shared a lot of memories of her husband Walt after he passed. We always were glad to have her and Marina up for crabs and conversation. She will surely be missed. May the Lord send ministering angels to comfort those who mourn. May the peace of God that surpasses all understanding be with the family and friends rule your heart and minds forever through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Kim and Jim Ralston

Jim Ralston - March 09, 2025 at 06:02 PM

AH

“ Sending thoughts and prayers to Jeannie’s family. I have many fond memories of Walt and Jeannie that I will always remember. Annette Henry

Annette Henry - March 05, 2025 at 03:50 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jeanne Marie Cohee.



March 05, 2025 at 02:42 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Jeanne Marie Cohee.

March 05, 2025 at 02:42 PM

BH

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Beth Hurley - March 04, 2025 at 07:40 PM

RZ

“ My heart goes out to Kris and Marina. We live next door and have experienced the death of Mr. Walt and now Mrs. Jeanne. They became like family to us. Mrs. Jeanne would come over in the summertime and we would eat crabs out under the shade tree. I will miss her. This past year, it was hard to see how quickly she was failing. Mrs. Jeanne, Stan and I will help Kris get through this ordeal. We love you and will miss you! Go easy on Mr. Walt up there and hug Trae.

Robin Zaorski - March 04, 2025 at 01:02 PM