



Donna Jean Breese

March 16, 1944 - August 4, 2020

Donna Jean (Ashburn) Breese was born March 16, 1944 to Francis and Inez (Porter) Ashburn. She was married to the love of her life Dave Breese on June 1, 1963.

Donna went to be with the Lord and her loving husband Dave on August 4, 2020, after a brief battle with COVID-19 at Parkridge Specialty Care.

Donna was a stay at home mom to her 3 children and in later years worked in the healthcare industry in various nursing roles. She has always loved caring for people and especially loved her time spent caring for babies in the NICU at Blank Children's Hospital.

Donna loved to bowl with her husband, both in high school and retirement. She was a loving person who always had a helping hand and a beautiful smile. She also had a spunky mischievous side, quick to make jokes and loved to laugh & sing. When asked how she was doing by someone, her standard reply was "Living the Dream Baby, living the dream".

Her husband and family were the most important things in her life. She was proud to be a mother and loved all her grandchildren very much. She often told people she had more children than just her 3, but that was because she always loved her grandkids as much as her kids, helping them whenever she

could.

Donna suffered from Alzheimer's and spent her last two years at Parkridge Specialty Care where she made many new friends and was taken care of in a very loving and respectful manner. She loved sitting in the courtyard with family & listening to the birds. Her family is so very thankful to the staff there for loving their mother so much.

Donna was a member of Woodland Hills Church of Christ and has known & loved Jesus from an early age.

Donna is survived by her children, Julie Briggs, Jeff (Jenny) Breese, and David (Amy) Breese. Her grandchildren Cory (Gina), Austin, Cassidy, Luke, Tucker, Alex, Zach and Allie and 1 great grandchild: Emersynn. She is also survived by her sister Jan (Tim) Jotske and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her husband Dave, parents, and grandson William.

A Celebration of Life will be 11 AM Saturday, September 5th 2020 at Woodland Hills Church of Christ, 2484 SE 68th Street, Pleasant Hill, IA 50327. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service at the church. A private burial of her cremated remains will take place at Vandalia Cemetery.

Live streaming is available through this link. <https://m.facebook.com/whccpleasanthilliowa/>

Flowers may be delivered to the church the morning of the service.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 5. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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Celebration of Life

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Tribute Wall

JB

“ Thank you for everything mom. Sure do miss our conversations. See ya someday,. Country Boy Can Survive’.

Jeff Breese - September 05, 2020 at 10:49 AM

DG

“ The Ashburn family and Matney family lived next door to each other for many years while all of us grew up together. What adventures we had!!

I was sorry to hear of Jeannie's passing. She will be missed.

Dixie Matney Gruber

Dixie Gruber - August 23, 2020 at 11:55 AM

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“ Aunt Jeannie will always be Jeannie even if she did go by Donna lol. She would “watch” us while mom and dad were out of town. Wonder if she ever knew we always snuck out lol. Guess she does now!!! Her and Dave and the kids were the best neighbors ever!! Love you say hi to my Mom!!

Becky Dawson - August 22, 2020 at 11:29 PM