



Donna-Marie Hynes Johnson

December 11, 1943 - January 30, 2020

Donna-Marie Hynes Johnson, 76, passed away in INOVA Alexandria Hospital, January 30, 2020 after a long and courageous battle with COPD.

Donna resided in District Heights, MD and was a graduate of Suitland High School. Following graduation, she was employed by the Small Business Administration and served as the Administrative Assistant to the Administrator. She was recognized on numerous occasions for her outstanding performance in that position. Donna married her sweetheart, Bill Johnson in 1967, and they remained soulmates for more than 50 years. A few years after her marriage, she left her career to start a family. One of the highlights of her life was the birth of her daughter, Jenny in 1974. Donna was thrilled with the opportunity to be a full time mom, but after numerous years, she rejoined the workforce. Initially, she accepted a number of temporary jobs, but she eventually had the good fortune to be employed by the law firm Weatherly, Schiszik & Isen. She loved her time there and the attorneys and staff at this firm turned out to be more like a family to Donna than business associates.

Donna was intelligent, fun loving and could brighten a room with her quick wit and beautiful smile. She had a special talent for making anyone she met feel special and loved within seconds of meeting them.

From childhood she loved dancing and singing and could wow an audience with her talent. Her love for music and theater continued through her life and she attended many concerts and theater performances with her family. She was an avid reader and had a flair for writing both poetry and heartfelt messages to family and friends.

Donna was proud of her Irish heritage and had a strong faith. She found great comfort from watching religious programs and reading her daily devotionals, but her greatest inspiration was her only grandchild, Sophie. Donna was always interested in every aspect of Sophie's life and provided her with encouragement and praise.

Donna was predeceased by her mother, Lillian Hynes, father, William Hynes, brother, Bill Hynes, sisters, Sister Marie Antoinette and Charlotte Macchio, sister-in-law, Bonnie Trail, and mother-in-law Julia Johnson.

She was the beloved wife of William B. Johnson, loving mother of Jennifer K. Johnson (Henry Salazar), adoring grandmother of Sophia Ashley Johnson Salazar, sister-in-law of Bev Johnson and Gary Trail, and aunt to many loving nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the COPD Foundation.

Cemetery

Events

Resurrection Cemetery 8000 Woodyard Road Clinton, MD, 20735	FEB 10	Viewing	06:00PM - 08:00PM
		Lee Funeral Home - Clinton 6633 Old Alexandria Ferry Road, Clinton, MD, US, 20735	
	FEB 11	Viewing	10:00AM - 11:00AM
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	FEB 11	Service	11:00AM - 12:00PM
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Comments



“ Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Donna-Marie Hynes Johnson.



February 10 at 10:28 AM



“ 4 files added to the album LifeTributes



Lee Funeral Home - February 10 at 10:27 AM



“ Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Donna-Marie Hynes Johnson.



February 10 at 03:59 AM



“ Jenny, your mother inspired integrity, expressed thoughtfulness, and encouraged you to be the best you could be. That's reflected in your life and the life of Sophie. I'm glad I got to know your mom; she (like you) hold a special place in my heart. Please accept my heartfelt sympathies for your and your family's loss. -Monique MacEachin

monique maceachin - February 09 at 11:13 AM



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Lee Funeral Home - February 08 at 03:09 PM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Donna-Marie Hynes Johnson.



February 07 at 09:47 AM



“ Love's Tapestry was purchased for the family of Donna-Marie Hynes Johnson.



February 04 at 02:09 PM



“ My Dearest Bill, Jenny, Henry and Sophie and extended family:
I know your hearts are broken as you grieve the loss of your beloved wife, mother and grandmother. I only wish I could somehow remove this sadness for you. My family and I share your sorrow.
Donna was my 'sister.' Once we both filled our hearts with 'sister,' neither of us had any room left in our hearts for the 'in-law' part :) This brings me smiles.
The greatest thing Donna and I shared was our faith in God. Her devout and adoring love for her Lord was constant and set the best example for me as a young girl and into womanhood. It was very important to Donna to pass her faith to her family and everyone she knew and loved, and she did. She was always kind, always.
Next, we shared a love for you, Bill, her husband, my brother. You and Donna created and experienced a love story that is beautiful, deep, lasting and loyal. What a priceless legacy for Jenny and Sophie! I know Donna loved you with her whole

being.

Then came the most fun, sharing our love for Jenny, your precious daughter. I remember, as a young girl, hearing conversations about how you each yearned for a child. Jenny, your Mom and Dad loved you before they knew you. They deliberately placed you in their hearts before God placed you in your mother's womb...and when you arrived, there was immeasurable JOY and LOVE, which continues to this day and will continue throughout the eternity God has provided for your Mom.

Just when you think you can't love anyone anymore, along comes Sophie. Donna beamed when she spoke of her Sophie. Sophie, your Grandma loved you to the moon and beyond. She was so proud of you. It brought me smiles.

Donna was genuine. Life's struggles did not defeat her and this speaks of her strength. She was strong. She was honest. She was respectful. She was loving. My children knew they were loved by their Aunt Donna, a gift I, and they, will always hold dear.

As a young girl, you and Donna kept me and our sister, Bonnie, as we awaited the death of our Dad. I remember jumping on the bed one day and Donna walked in on me. I knew my goose was cooked, not because Donna wouldn't tolerate it, but because my behavior was, let's say, whimsical. She stood at the door and smiled this gentle smile, as I braced for what was to come; then, in her soft-spoken voice, asked Bonnie and I if we wanted something to eat. At that time, I figured she was pretty cool (astute) to know all that jumping had worked up an appetite! She was gracious and loving enough to take care of us during one of our family's hardest times.

Donna was really beautiful inside and out. She had porcelain white skin; a gorgeous smile; a soft voice with a spirited laugh; beautiful, feminine hands and nails that were comforting and soft. There were things she knew she couldn't do, but she rejoiced in others doing them. She always complimented the children and offered encouragement and hugs.

Our lives will never be the same on this earth without her, so I pray: Holy God, I know you are good. I know you have welcomed your daughter, Donna, into heaven and will be with her forever. I know we will be with her one day. This is the substance of Donna's and my faith. This is the depth of your love for Donna, and for us. I am thankful for the sister you gave me and the love we shared. In Christ's Name, Amen

I love you,

Aunt Bev

Bev Johnson - 3 hours ago