



Phyllis T. Simmons

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Phyllis Theresa Simmons, age 96 passed away at Manor House in Seaford, DE on Sunday, March 31, 2024. She was born on October 3, 1927, in Camden, NJ, daughter of the late Michele and Rose (Marrandino) DiLeo.

After graduating high school, Phyllis met her future husband (Robert Simmons) at a UFO dance in NJ. They were married in 1950 and had their first daughter, Kathleen, in 1951, living in Camden, NJ. In 1954, they moved to the newly built planned community of Levittown, PA.. In the following years, two more daughters were born, Janet, then Donna. Phyllis lovingly referred to them as "her girls".

She earned her cosmetology license and worked as a hair stylist for many years and many years as an office worker for GTE after that.

Her hobbies were always active and constructive. Phyllis was an avid reader and could always find her stretched comfortably on the sofa quietly reading her latest book whenever time allowed. During her golden years, she enjoyed bridge clubs, church choir, family get togethers, coffee with neighbors, puzzles, and being "mom" to two West Highland White Terriers, Peppy and Mae. What she treasured more than anything, however, was time spent with her family. Phyllis was a loving and devoted mother, grandmother, great grandmother, and friend. She will be dearly missed and forever loved by the many people whose lives she touched with her kindness.

In addition to her parents, Phyllis is predeceased by her spouse of 62 years, Robert C. Simmons of Harbeson, DE. She is survived by her three daughters: Kathleen (Tom) Plummer, of Maryland; Janet (Jan Edler) Simmons, of New Jersey; and Donna (David) Skekel, of Maryland; her five grandchildren: Cory, Riley, and Cally Simmons-Edler, Matthew and Emma (Derek) Skekel; and her three great-grandchildren: Reagan, Robert, and Reese Simmons.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Wednesday, April 10, 2024 at 12:30 PM at Mary Mother of Peace Church, 30839 Mt Joy Rd, Millsboro, DE 19966, where friends and family may call



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beginning at 11:30 AM. Chapel committal services will follow at Delaware Veterans Memorial Cemetery, 26669 Patriots Way, Millsboro, DE 19966.

Please sign the virtual guestbook located on the tribute page.

FLORIST NOTE: PLEASE DELIVER ALL ARRANGEMENTS BY 3:00 PM ON TUESDAY, APRIL 9, 2024, TO OUR LEWES LOCATION.



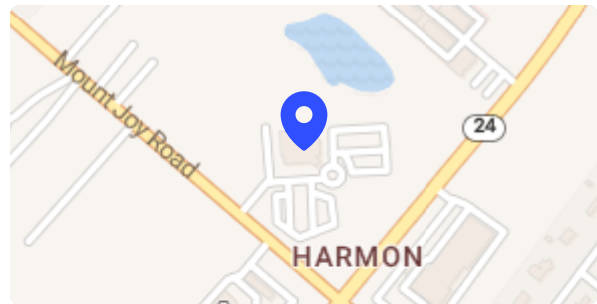
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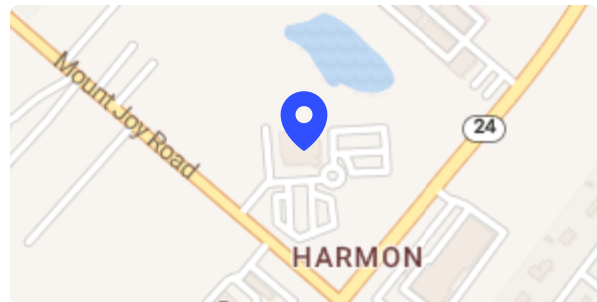
Viewing

- Wednesday**, April 10, 2024
- 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM ET
- Mary Mother of Peace Church**
30839 Mt. Joy Rd., Millsboro DE 19966



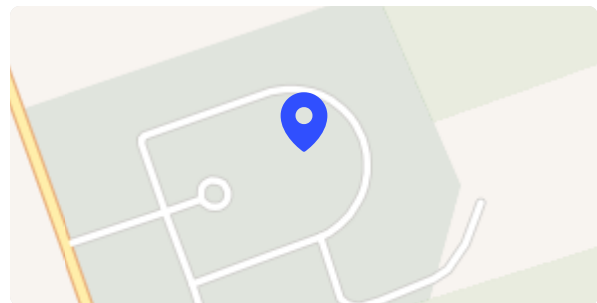
Mass of Christian Burial

- Wednesday**, April 10, 2024
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Committal Service

- Wednesday**, April 10, 2024
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JB

Jennifer Brooks posted:

I have very fond memories of my Aunt Phyllis. Most of them are as a young child. She was always so loving and gave me many hugs. She was always interested in hearing what was going on in my life. Always kind. When her and Bob would stay with us, there was always a lot of laughter. There is no doubt that the most important thing to Phyllis and Bob were their three incredible daughters, their spouses, and their grandchildren. They were so proud of all of you. Aunt Phyllis, I know you are joyously reunited with Uncle Bob. Give Marion, Carol, Walter, Bob, and Kathleen a hug from us. We love you and thank you for loving us. See you again. Rest in eternal peace. ❤️👤

April 11 at 10:44 AM

WN

Walter O'Neill posted:

Aunt Phyllis was a light-hearted, loving and caring Aunt. She was always there with a quick smile and a characteristic laugh. She was an integral part of the fabric of our family and will be missed. We were all better for knowing her and having her in our lives. Warmest and fondest memories. Thoughts and prayers to our cousins Kathleen, Janet and Donna and her extended family. Don O'Neill

April 11 at 9:31 AM

CK

Charles Klimkowski posted:

It has taken a very long time for me to fully appreciate the value of having a family in my life. As I reflect back on my interactions with Phyllis and Bob Simmons I have a smile. Since I first met them in Levittown, Pa. in 1958 they were a pleasure to be around. We played a lot of pinochle. Bob and I against Phyllis and Marguerite. Over the years we were all very competitive. We traveled together a lot up until Bob no longer could do so. One memory that says a lot to me occurred when we were in Maui about 35 years ago. While hiking Phyllis balked at walking a difficult path because she was in her 60's. Now we know she was still in her middle age. I will miss her wistful smile and pray for her soul. I will always remember her as a thoughtful and kind person. She was fortunate to have three wonderful children who cared deeply for the well being of their mom. Her Brother-in-law, Ron Klimkowski

April 11 at 8:41 AM



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MN

Michael O'Neill posted:

I always remember Aunt Phyllis as a kind soft spoken loving Aunt . I don't remember an unkind word from her ever and I'm sure there were times I deserved one. Kathleen, Janet, and Donna my thoughts and prayers are with you and your families. Rest in peace Aunt Phyllis your loving (and favorite)nephew Michael O'Neill

April 10 at 5:03 PM

CK

Charlie Klimkowski posted:

I have always believed one of the best ways to measure someone's character is how they treat children. Especially when no other adults are in the room. Based upon this measuring stick, my Aunt Phyllis was a very special person. Why... because as a child she always made me feel like a very special person. She never spoke down to me and always had a smile for me. Although her children: Donna, Janet and Cathleen were older than me, they also treated me well and I have very fond memories with them. Which again is a sign of their mother's character. I'm truly sorry for your loss and wish you all well. RIP Aunt Phil! Love Charlie

April 9 at 6:00 AM

MK

Marguerite Simmons Klimkowski posted:

Phyllis was my Sister-in-Law. She was a wonderful person. The Klimkowski Family has so many memories of her. She lovingly had me (Marguerite) as a young pre-teen visit them in Levittown every summer and stay for weeks. That is quite a sacrifice for a woman raising her own three children. My husband, Ron, (Uncle Ron) and I spent many good times together from Alaskan cruises, Florida visits, and camping visits. Yes we slept in tents. I recall watching Robert and Phil making jelly and storing away. And of course there were endless Pinochle games to play. We laughed alot and Phil has a lovely laugh!She was a sweet but strong soul and will be missed. with love and condolences to the Simmons Family. Aunt Marguerite, Uncle Ron, and Family

April 9 at 5:35 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Phyllis by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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