



Eileen Phoebe Furnish

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Eileen P. Furnish (Wharton) passed away peacefully at home in Lewes surrounded by family on February 4, 2025. She embodied kindness and acceptance, leaving an impact on people during her life journey. Eileen was born on January 31, 1943, in Laurel, Delaware to the late Ruth Wharton (Baker) and William Wharton.

Eileen graduated from Laurel High School in 1961. She attended Salisbury University following her high school education. Eileen was a prominent member of the Lewes community for over 60 years and worked and managed the cafeterias of various Cape Henlopen schools. She was a proud and active member of Seaside Baptist Church. Eileen enjoyed spending time with her family, going to the Lewes Farmers Market, caring for her animals, feeding the birds, eating out at Big Oyster, and working in the yard.

Eileen is survived by two siblings Bonnie Dempsey (Dagsboro, DE) and George Wharton (Laurel, DE), her four children; Tina Clendaniel (Lincoln, DE), Dean Furnish (Bremerton, WA), Cheryl Mills (Haymarket, VA), and Rebecca Huling (Lewes, DE); her nine grandchildren, and her twelve great grandchildren. She is joining her beloved husband, Martin D. Furnish, her sister Marjorie Davis (Stephens City, VA), and her parents in heaven.

Funeral Services will be held on Friday, February 7, 2025 at 11:00 AM at Parsell Funeral Homes & Crematorium, Atkins-Lodge Chapel, 16961 Kings Hwy, Lewes, DE 19958, where friends may call beginning at 10:00 AM. Interment will be private at Henlopen Memorial Park in Milton, DE.

All those unable to attend the services are invited to join the service via livestreaming by visiting the following link:

<http://www.parsellfuneralhomes.com/obituaries/permalink/11692789/LTWebcast>

In lieu of flowers please donate to Shiners Hospital, Shriners Burn Center, or any local animal shelter.



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Please sign the virtual guestbook located on the tribute page.

FLORIST NOTE: PLEASE DELIVER ALL ARRANGEMENTS BY 3:00 PM ON THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2025, TO OUR LEWES LOCATION.



Events

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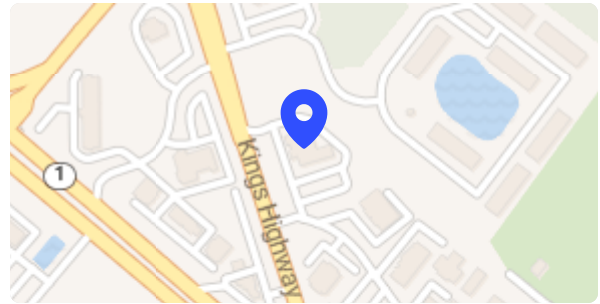
Viewing

 **Friday**, February 7, 2025

 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM ET

 **Parsell Funeral Homes & Crematorium-Atkins-Lodge Chapel**

16961 Kings Highway, Lewes DE 19958



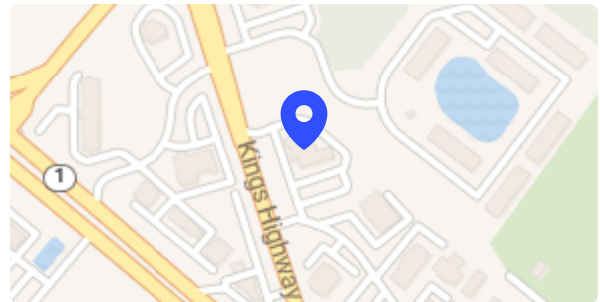
Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall

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Parsell Funeral Homes & Crematorium shared a **Webcast Video**.



February 4 at 12:38 PM



Naomi Rickards lit a candle in honor of Eileen.

Sending love and prayers to Eileen family Naomi L Rickards



February 13 at 4:50 AM



Amber Fisher posted:

Ms Eileen you were always a shining light! I will forever remember our times together. You made my mornings so enjoyable. I will forever remember you and your laugh! I love you always girlfriend!! Fly high with them angels!

February 11 at 4:46 PM



Kathryn H Steele posted:

I just heard about Eileen passing. Sorry to hear that I worked many years in the cafeteria with her my thoughts and prayers go out to her family.. Kathy Hazel Steele

February 7 at 3:04 PM



Nikilayna Huling posted:

Such a sweet and kind soul has become an amazingly beautiful angel! You will be missed!

February 7 at 6:54 AM



Martha A Mills posted:

Eileen was a very special lady. She really was a blessing to everyone in her life. We are so grateful to have known her, and we will truly miss her. Every time we see the bridal wreath she gave us, blooming in our yard, it will spark another good memory of Eileen. Rest in peace you beautiful Lady. We will always love you. Stan and Martha Mills

February 7 at 6:45 AM



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SM

Siggy Millman posted:

Eileen was a beautiful person. She always thought of other people ahead of herself. It was a blessing to be a part of her life as a fellow nutritional manager at the Cape Henlopen District. She was always a "happy ho lucky" person. Some of my fondest memories were when we would occasionally go "dumpster diving !" May her love ones find peace, knowing she too is at peace and with those gone on before her. God bless Siggy Millman

February 6 at 7:40 PM

TK

Terry K. planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Eileen.



February 6 at 4:52 AM

KA

Kristin, Nick, Kasey And Cj sent a Fiery Lily and Rose to the Furnish family.



February 6 at 1:30 AM



Anonymous planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Eileen.



February 5 at 5:38 PM



Anonymous sent a Country Basket Blooms to the Furnish family.



February 5 at 5:38 PM

JC

Jenivie Claxton posted:

Eileen was a very special person. She had a strong faith in God and lived it every day. Always kind and caring. She had a great love for family and her church family. She was a wonderful example of Christianity.

February 5 at 5:05 PM



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Anonymous planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Eileen.



February 5 at 1:44 PM



Anonymous sent a Pink Potpourri Bouquet to the Furnish family.



February 5 at 1:44 PM



Anonymous planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Eileen.



February 5 at 11:08 AM



Anonymous sent an Enchanted Cottage to the Furnish family.



February 5 at 11:08 AM



MP

Mindy Smith-Poole posted:

Sweetest Lady I ever met. I still remember getting cookies from her from the school cafeteria she will be missed.

February 5 at 10:32 AM



IT

Img Family And Springhill Suites Team planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Eileen.



February 5 at 9:44 AM



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Img Family And Springhill Suites Team sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Furnish family.

February 5 at 9:44 AM



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February 5 at 7:07 AM



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JD

John W. Dean li posted:

Tina & Family,I am so sorry to hear of your mother's passing. She was a wonderful woman who did a fabulous job managing various cafeterias for the Cape District. When working at the high school I always looked forward to seeing her. During football season, she was helpful with the concession stand - always willing to offer good advice and do whatever she could to helpWe will keep you and your family in our thoughts and prayers.Godspeed Eileen.John W. Dean IIMilton, DelawareUSA

February 4 at 1:53 PM



Media

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TB **Tim Bamforth** February 9 at 6:30 AM
 Eileen was a wonderful person and always provided me with plenty of lunch goodies at Shields Elementary when they refused my credit card.

TA **Tammy** February 7 at 8:22 AM
 Beautiful service Every word spoken , every song played & sung are true testaments to how she lived her life Adopted "Momma" you will be greatly missed but a lifetime of memories to cherish by all that loved you



Memories only last if you share them

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



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