



# Joan Marcella James

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# Joan Marcella James

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Joan Marcella James, beloved mother, grandmother, and friend, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, March 18, 2025, at the age of 90. She was the youngest of four children, with a rich heritage of German, Irish, and Dutch ancestry. Ms. James was the last survivor of her siblings, two brothers and one sister. She was the daughter of Virginia Dare (Beaghan) Ellis and George Barringer. Ms. James was baptized in January of 1935 at the Saint Francis de Sales Church in McKees Rocks, Pennsylvania.

Ms. James attended Southern High School in Baltimore and later proudly served in the Woman's Army Corps from 1955 to 1958. In 1956, she was promoted from Private First Class to Specialist Third Class and was stationed at Fort Devens, Massachusetts. Her dedication and service to her country were a testament to her strength and commitment.

In the 1970s, Ms. James pursued her passion for beauty and cosmetology, obtaining her State Board of Cosmetology license and becoming a teacher at a Baltimore County school. She later studied Business Management at Dundalk Community College in the early 1980s. Ms. James' career spanned many years working with the Maryland State Department of Transportation and the Maryland Department of Motor Vehicles.

After retiring in 1995, Ms. James and her husband, William T. James, relocated to Delaware, where they enjoyed their retirement until his passing in 2013. In 1994, Ms. James retired from the State of Maryland and soon after, fulfilled the requirements to become a Nursing Assistant in 1996 and a Certified Nurse Aide in 2001, continuing her lifelong commitment to helping others.

In 2016, Ms. James received the sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation at the Church of Saint Ann in Bethany Beach, Delaware, marking a significant spiritual milestone in her life.



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Ms. James was a dedicated volunteer at Beebe Medical Center in Rehoboth, Delaware, where she generously gave her time for eight years. She also shared her love and care with her family, especially her daughter, Barbara F. Levine, daughter Patricia L. Noe, and son-in-law, David Noe, along with her granddaughter, Jessica A. Anderson, and grandson-in-law, Michael B. Anderson. Ms. James' warmth, compassion, and kindness touched the lives of all who knew her.

Ms. James will be deeply missed and forever loved. Her memory will live on in the hearts of those who had the privilege of knowing her.

A funeral service will be held on Tuesday, April 1, 2025, at 3:00 PM at Parsell Funeral Homes & Crematorium, 34874 Atlantic Avenue, Ocean View, DE 19970, where family and friends may visit beginning at 2:00 PM. Interment with military honors will take place on Wednesday, April 2, 2025, at 10:45 AM at Garrison Forest Veterans Cemetery, 11501 Garrison Forest Road, Owings Mills, MD 21117.

Please sign the virtual guestbook located on the tribute page.

FLORIST NOTE : PLEASE DELIVER ALL ARRANGEMENTS BY 10:00 AM ON TUESDAY, APRIL 1, 2025, TO OUR OCEAN VIEW LOCATION.



# Events

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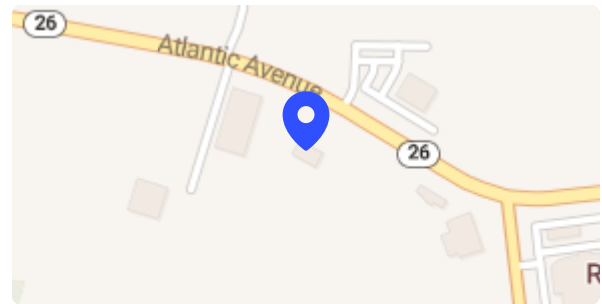
## Visitation

**Tuesday**, April 1, 2025

2:00 PM - 3:00 PM ET

**Parsell Funeral Homes & Crematorium Clarksville Chapel**

34874 Atlantic Avenue, Ocean View DE



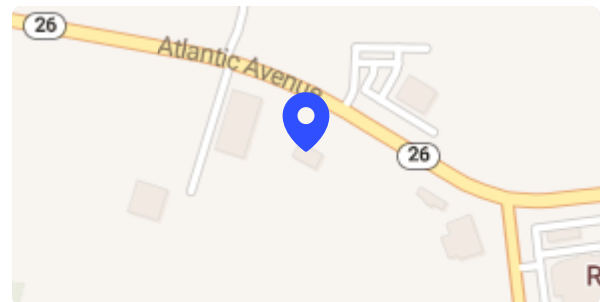
## Funeral Service

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3:00 PM - 4:00 PM ET

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34874 Atlantic Avenue, Ocean View DE



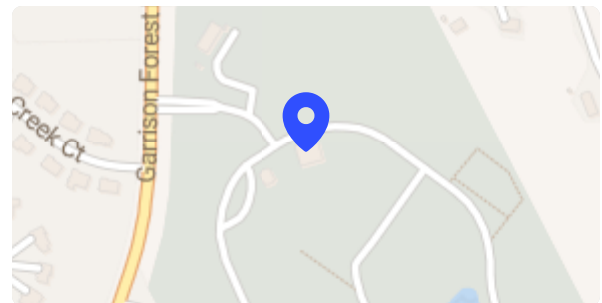
## Interment with military honors

**Wednesday**, April 2, 2025

10:45 AM - 11:15 AM ET

**Garrison Forest Veterans Cemetery**

11501 Garrison Forest Rd,, Owings Mills MD 21117





## Tribute Wall

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**Anonymous** sent an Arrive in Style to the James family.

March 30 at 3:06 PM



**Anonymous** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Joan.

March 25 at 7:01 PM



**Anonymous** sent a Divine Peace Bouquet to the James family.

March 25 at 7:01 PM





# Memories only last if you share them

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



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