



Eugenia Ann Waters

October 10, 1944 - May 2, 2021

Eugenia "Jean" A. Waters, age 76, of Rehoboth Beach, DE, departed this life on Sunday, May 2, 2021 after complications from surgery. She was born on Tuesday, October 10, 1944 in New Haven, CT, daughter of the late Anthony J. and Helen V. (D'Albero) Marnett.

Jean was a North Haven High School graduate, Class of 1962, in North Haven, CT. She took business courses in high school and began her career as a secretary with the New Haven Railroad. She then moved on and became an administrative assistant for Dr. Schwartz in the psychology department at Yale University. Following her time in CT, she then moved to the Mid Atlantic area with her husband Dave and worked alongside him in his business, Autoport in New Castle, DE. She was then an executive assistant at Speakman Company for over 20 years.

Jean had her passions in life including gardening, dog training and working with her dogs, and others' dogs, as therapy dogs. She enjoyed bowling, tennis, and skiing. Jean loved music, especially live concerts, and dancing. She also served on the board of The Birthday Project matching volunteers with children experiencing homelessness through the magic of a birthday celebration.

Jean was a member of Epworth United Methodist Church in Rehoboth, DE. She co-led Epworth's Leashes of Love ministry, a pet visitation ministry which shares the unconditional love of pets with weekly visits to assisted living facilities in the Rehoboth-Lewes community.

Jean was known as a phenomenal listener and was incredibly thoughtful and caring in all that she did. Her family and friends appreciated her beautiful smile. She and her husband Dave lived a full life with skiing, boating, and enjoying all that Rehoboth offered with their group of friends known as the "4-to-9ers."

In addition to her parents, Jean was preceded in death by her husband of 34 years, David Waters; her brothers: Anthony and Martin Marnett; and a grandson, Michael David Waters.

She is survived by her two sons: Michael Toni (Birgitta) of Lueders, TX and Robert Toni of Providence, RI. She is also survived by 4 stepchildren: Lynne Waters Beliveau (David) of Leesburg, VA, Sharon Waters Tudino (Frank) of Orange, CT, Keith Waters (Danell) of Village of Lakewood, IL, and Jennifer Waters Bronson (William) of Orange, CT. Jean had 10 grandsons, 2 granddaughters and one great grandson.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, June 5 at 2:00 PM, at Epworth United Methodist Church, 19285 Holland Glade Road, Rehoboth Beach, DE, where friends may visit beginning at 1:00 PM. The interment of ashes will follow the service at Epworth Cemetery, 187 Henlopen Avenue, Rehoboth Beach, DE.

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, social distancing protocols must be observed, and masks must be worn by everyone participating in any aspect of the service.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Epworth United Methodist Church, 19285 Holland Glade Road, Rehoboth Beach, DE 19971 with an earmark for the Memorial Fund for Jean Waters.

Please sign the virtual guestbook located on the tribute page.

Events

JUN 5 **Visitation** 01:00PM - 02:00PM

Epworth United Methodist Church
19825 Holland Glade Road, Rehoboth Beach, DE, US

JUN 5 **Memorial Service** 02:00PM - 03:00PM

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JUN 5 **Interment** 03:00PM

Epworth Methodist Cemetery
Henlopen Avenue, Rehoboth Beach, DE, US, 19971

Comments



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Eugenia Ann Waters.



May 24 at 06:33 PM



“ Jean and I go all the way back to 1975. She was married to Russ Toni then and living on Spring Rd. then Livingston Dr Our children and Jean's sons Mike and Robby went to school together at Montowese Grammar School. Jean, Janet Smith, and Jane Guercia were close friends. We supported each other through many crises including Jean's divorce and the death of my mom. We lunched many times together, we were on the same bowling league and we would travel to Newport, RI or Kittery, ME on a whim. We would shop till we dropped at the outlet stores in Kittery. We would lunch at the Weathervane across from the outlets. We were young homemakers sharing our free time together. We would Christmas shop in New Haven mall. We babysat each other's kids. We were pretty much in daily contact with each other. Summer time was especially fun because the tight school schedule didn't leave a whole lot of get together time. We enjoyed 'Happy Hours" on my back porch. Our favorite lunch place was Rustic Oak in the center of North Haven. Much later, years actually, we became Facebook friends and I truly enjoyed that "electronic" friendship. I'll truly miss Jean, with all my heart. My heartfelt sympathies to her children and extended family. Love, Linda D'Amico

Linda D'Amico - May 13 at 05:58 PM



“ When my dog, Charley and I decided to join Leashes of Love, Jean greeted us with open arms. She was always the bright spot in our visits to the Senior Facilities. The residents especially enjoyed Roxy dancing for them. We will miss her bright smile. Cheryl Buxton

Cheryl Buxton - May 10 at 08:15 AM



“ Jean was one of my dearest friends in school when growing up. She was loving and compassionate all and will be missed. I send my condolences to her family and hope that memories will help them heal.

Sharon and Dieter Kuhn - May 08 at 06:02 PM



“ Beth Rinker lit a candle in memory of Eugenia Ann Waters



Beth Rinker - May 08 at 03:00 PM



“ Shirley Reynolds lit a candle in memory of Eugenia Ann Waters



Shirley Reynolds - May 08 at 12:12 PM



“ I have known Jean for many years. Our friendship started while her and Dave were living in Elkton Maryland. That is when I started grooming her standard Poodle, Charlie. The first time she brought Charlie to me for grooming he was just a pup. Jean was somewhat anxious because she didn't know what to expect. When I finished his grooming I brought Charlie out to her she squealed with excitement. At first I thought she didn't like the grooming but with tears in her eyes she looked at me and said he was just beautiful. That day our friendship started and lasted all these years. Then along came Reba and I groomed for until she moved to Rehoboth. I spent many happy times with Jean and Dave with my poodles Tigger and Tara at her home in Elkton. I wrote many poems that she loved and one especially was the one I wrote for her grandson Michael when he past away. I will miss Jean and our talks, her laughter and her good advice. Jean you will always be in my heart as one of my best friends who was always there for me. Love you and miss you terribly. You are with God now doing what you do best, making everyone happy with your infectious smile you shared with so many here on earth.

Shirley Reynolds - May 08 at 12:11 PM



“ Jean, was one of the warmest and loving people I have had the pleasure of knowing. I would look for her in church and she always took the time to say hello and how were things. When my dog was diagnose with cancer Jean was always there to ask how things were going and how my girl was doing. I was very blessed to have had the pleasure of calling her friend! Peace and comfort to her family.

Sue Brenton - May 08 at 12:02 PM