



Donnetta Lynn Shepard

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Donnetta Lynn Shepard, 80, of Nashville, Tennessee, passed away peacefully on November 12, 2024. She was born July 17, 1944, in Overton County, Tennessee, one of 14 children of Sanford and Sarah Bell Lynn.

She is preceded in death by parents, Sanford Lynn and Sarah Bell Clark Lynn, siblings, Aaron Lynn, Ace Lynn, Alvin Lynn, Jimmy Lynn, Roy Lynn, Ray Lynn, and Diana Lynn (infant).

Those left behind to cherish her memory are children Bradley (Michelle) Shepard and Deanna Shepard, grandchildren, Megan (Emory) Williams and Camryn Shepard, great grandson, Carter Williams, sisters, Dorothy Shepard, Phyllis Lynn, Brenda Joyce Mitchell, Linda Law, and brother, Davie Lynn.

Donnetta was known by many names; Aunt Donnie, Nurse Donnetta, Mom, and Granny. A caregiver all her life, Donnetta worked professionally as a nurse for over 30 years. She attained Licensed Practical Nurse accreditation in the mid 1970s. Over the course of her nursing career, she worked at Baptist Hospital, Miller Medical Clinic, and Vanderbilt Hospital. She retired from nursing in the early 2000s to take up her most cherish role as Granny.

Donnetta was a long-time member of Hillhurst Baptist Church and Parkway Baptist Church. Donnetta served in several important roles while a member at Hillhurst. She taught Sunday School classes, worked with the youth group, and served with the Women's Missionary Union. Donnetta shared her faith with those around her and helped shape their walk of faith by her example.

She will be forever remembered as a loving mother, aunt, and Granny, a faithful friend and neighbor, and a tireless caregiver and support for those she loved.



Events

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Visitation

- Sunday**, November 17, 2024
- 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM CT
- Spring Hill Funeral Home**
5110 Gallatin Pike S, Nashville TN 37216



Celebration of Life

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DM

Deanna Lee Mutter posted:

Brad & Deanna, I just today learned of your mom's Eternal Homegoing, and although I know a joyous Heavenly reunion party is happening, I also know an Earthly huge loss has occurred. I am sorry for your loss and sorry I missed her service. I have so so many sweet memories of Donetta throughout my life, such as her teaching my Wednesday night Acteens class at Hillhurst (& she often spoiled us by bringing us one of her homemade fudge pies -yummy !) as well as fun memories of us playing together on the Hillhurst softball team. She inspired me and many other nurses as she exemplified sharing God's love through her diligent and compassionate care of her patients. God's light truly shined bright through Donetta's life. Your family will remain in my thoughts and prayers as God gently carries y'all through this season of grief. Love y'all.

November 22 at 12:51 PM

RA

Robert, Penny, Zachary, Bailey, Avalee sent an Emerald Garden Basket to the Shepard family.



November 17 at 3:33 AM

AF

Aunt Brenda And Family sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Shepard family.



November 16 at 1:20 PM

MJ

Ms Audrey Johnson lit a candle in honor of Donnetta.

Ms. Donnetta was a dear friend and neighbor. At one time I was her Trusted Driver to her Doctors appointments and to the Grocery Store. She and another neighbor and I would get together to Pray once a week. We also took Crocheting class together, that was taught by another neighbor in the community. Ms. Donnetta was a Kind person who will be missed. Rest In Paradise, my Friend. Your Friend Audrey Johnson



November 16 at 5:37 AM



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Ken Castleberry posted:

I was privileged to be Donnetta's pastor for many of her years at Parkway. She was an encouragement to all who knew her. She loved to study God's Word and was committed to fervent prayer. She loved God with all her heart and expressed that love to others. I was blessed to have known her.

November 15 at 9:14 AM



Lottie Crouch November 16 at 4:25 PM

I worked with with Donnetta at Baptism hospital she was a very good friend of mine



Love, Daniel, Brenda, Sydney & Nicholas sent an Arrive in Style to the Shepard family.



November 15 at 8:19 AM



Love, Daniel, Brenda, Sydney & Nicholas planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Donnetta.



November 15 at 8:19 AM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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