



Laretta Donley

June 12, 1931 - February 28, 2024

Laretta V. Donley, 92, of Springfield, passed away on February 28, 2024. She was born on June 12, 1931, to the late Henry and Angela Clerice in Mansfield, Ohio. Laretta was a long-time member of St. Paul's Catholic Church in Yellow Springs, Ohio. She enjoyed crocheting afghans, making handmade dolls, and sewing her own clothes. She is preceded in death by her loving husband of 54 years Richard "Dick" Donley, her parents, brother Felix Clerice, sisters Rita (Donald) Stahlheber and Ruth (John) Vaneff. Laretta leaves behind her three children, Joseph Donley, of Medway, Ohio, Richard (Robert Bradley) Donley, of Delaware, Ohio, and David Donley of Springfield, Ohio; two grandchildren, Justin David (Chelsea) Donley, of Cincinnati, Ohio, Zachary Jacob (Chantel Wright) Donley; and one great granddaughter, Riley. Laretta will be greatly missed by all who knew her. Adkins Funeral Home in Enon will be assisting Laretta's family with her final wishes. Visitation will take place on Monday, March 4, 2024, from 10:00 AM- 11:00 AM at St. Paul's Catholic Church. A funeral mass will begin at 11:00 AM, followed by burial at St. Paul's Catholic Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family would like donations to be made in Laretta's honor to The American Heart Association. www.mygiving.heart.org or American Heart Association to PO Box 840692, Dallas, TX 75284-0692.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 4. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Paul's Catholic Church
308 Phillips Street
Yellow Springs, OH

Funeral Mass

MAR 4. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Paul's Catholic Church
308 Phillips Street
Yellow Springs, OH

Burial

MAR 4. 12:00 PM (ET)

Saint Paul Cemetery
Yellow Springs, OH 45387

Tribute Wall

TW

“ Dear Donley Family, My staff and myself truly enjoyed having Laretta participate in the Social Support program at United Senior Services She was always a bright spot in our day. Tracy Wickham

Tracy Wickham - March 26, 2024 at 04:17 PM

JS

“ What a great lady, she will be sorely missed. I was privileged to know her my entire life, she always had a smile and a kind word, and was a dear friend to my mom. I am sorry I did not hear of her passing to attend the visitation. Prayers to Joe, Rick, and Dave from Jeff & Tammi.

Jeff Spradlin - March 05, 2024 at 02:08 PM

BN

“ I remember being at your house once when I was little. She was so nice and baked cookies... I am so sorry for your loss. Hugs and prayers. Beckie

Beckie J Neff - March 02, 2024 at 09:04 PM

CD

“ We Donley's were blessed to have such a sweet and caring lady in our family. She will be greatly missed.

Carole (Donley) & Vic Delgado - March 02, 2024 at 02:28 PM

TD

Carole that is so true. Have wanted to be able to contact you about this but got a hold of Ellen. Miss you all and my closest of all aunts. LAURETTA. She is already missed by us all. Thomas Donley

Thomas Donley - March 02, 2024 at 03:11 PM

ED

“ Laretta is the sweetest lady I know. Her family hit the jackpot when she became a Donley. Now we have her up there looking out for the rest of us and she will be there with open arms when we cross over. Be good to your selves boys, it will be hard without her but know she is waiting and watching. God be good to you.

Much Love,
Mike & Ellen Donley
Fort Myers, FL



Ellen Donley - March 01, 2024 at 01:26 PM

KC

“ Joe, David, Rick

As long as I have known Aunt Laretta she has been a very sweet person to me and my family, may the special memories you made together help you through this difficult time.

Love, Kathy Carey

Kathy Carey - February 29, 2024 at 07:32 PM

DO

I was Laretta Donley care giver, she was a great Lady Going to miss her so much. LOVE you Laretta Donley. FLY HIGH TILL WE meet, SO SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS FAMILY AND FRIENDS.

Deborah Oiler - March 04, 2024 at 09:05 AM

JM

My deepest sympathies to the entire Donley Family and sorry but just found the Obituary.

Laretta was not only my Mother's (Rosemary Gentile-Miller) First Cousin, but they were Classmates.

*We appreciated when Laretta drove up from Springfield for my Mom's Service...
RIP*

Jerry Miller - May 15, 2025 at 09:26 PM