



Donna Jean Fairchild

April 19, 1927 - July 14, 2023

Donna Jean Fairchild, a beloved wife, mother, mentor, and cherished community member, passed away peacefully surrounded by family at her home in St. Augustine, Florida, on July 14, 2023.

Donna was born to Cletus and Mackie Hubbs on April 19, 1927, in Paducah, Kentucky. She attended Tilghman High School and then Kentucky's Murray State University. Donna led a life dedicated to her family, friends, and faith. She was 96 years old. Donna was preceded in death by her beloved husband of 73 years, Gene Page Fairchild, in 2020. Their devoted son Mark was their companion and caregiver in their last years.

Donna is survived by her other children, Stephen (Joanne), Constance, and Matthew (Maria.) They are forever grateful for her love and guidance. Donna is the adored grandmother of Samuel David and Luca Samuel Torretta, J.P. Fairchild, Maxwell Page Fairchild, and Harrison Carlos Fairchild. They brought immeasurable joy to her life. Donna is also survived by her sister, Jane Sparks, brother, Sonny Hubbs, and his wife, Priscilla. Throughout their lives, they shared a deep bond of love and support.

Donna was a woman of profound faith, personal warmth, and empathy. Her passion for friendship touched so many individuals. She naturally connected with young people, inspiring them to reach their full potential and guiding them toward a brighter future. Her love of music and singing was legendary, whether gospel, jazz, or country.

After a fulfilling life as a mother and an educator, Donna and Gene retired to a

close-knit St. Augustine condominium community 35 years ago. Together, they created a haven of love and joy, fostering friendships with their neighbors and enriching the lives of everyone they knew. Donna's warm smile, witty, good humor, and caring nature made her a cherished community member, and her impact will be felt for generations to come.

Donna and Gene were members of Anastasia Baptist Church in St. Augustine. Her faith was integral to her life, and she found solace, inspiration, and a sense of community within her faith. Donna's commitment to her devotion was exemplified through her involvement in teaching bible classes for over 20 years.

A Memorial Service will be held at 11 am on Friday, August 11, 2023, at Anastasia Baptist Church

1650 A1A South in St. Augustine In the wake of her passing, let us remember Donna as a guiding light, a compassionate soul, and a beacon of love. She touched the lives of many and will be deeply missed, but her love, faith, and education legacy will continue to inspire and guide us all.

Instead of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Community Hospice & Palliative Care Foundation, 4266 Sunbeam Road, Jacksonville, FL 32257, or online at www.communityhospice.com/give.

Those desiring may leave notes of sympathy and encouragement on her tribute page at <https://www.stjohnsfamilyfuneralhome.com/>.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

AUG 11. 11:00 AM (ET)

Anastasia Baptist Church
1650 A1A S
St. Augustine, FL 32080
(904) 471-2166

Tribute Wall



“ *St. Johns Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Donna Jean Fairchild*



St. Johns Family Funeral Home - August 09, 2023 at 12:02 PM



“ *158 files added to the album LifeTributes*



St. Johns Family Funeral Home - August 09, 2023 at 08:58 AM

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“ *Donna and Gene were kind and loving friends to my mother and father, Cuck and Alice Fahey. The four of them are reunited now.*

Robin Fahey - August 04, 2023 at 09:29 AM

JA

“ *The Anastasia Baptist Church Sunday morning Bible Study my husband Dennis and I were privileged to be part of is one of my most treasured memories. And Donna played a major role during the five years of Dennis's illness with her loving support and unwavering faith. Her focus truly was helping others; family, friends, and strangers. I remember her with love and know she is enjoying the rewards of a life well-lived.*

Jeannine Auth - July 23, 2023 at 02:26 PM

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“ *Oh how our hearts will miss your sweet smile, your warm embrace, our heartfelt conversation, your wise counsel, and your continued love and prayers for our family. Our lives are forever changed for the better knowing Donna. You will always hold a special place in the hearts of all the Harp family. All of our love and deepest condolences to Steve, Matt, Connie, Mark, and their families. We were so blessed to be able to share in the joy of being loved by Juju and Nonna and know words would fail to express how much we loved them in return.*

Misty Harp - July 20, 2023 at 12:10 PM

JP

“ *Donna, you were a true light in this world and the sweetest, most genuine, non-judgmental person I have ever met in my life. Your spirit will always be with me and “I love you.” Xo Jennifer and Eric Pope*

jennifer pope - July 20, 2023 at 09:10 AM



“ *Donna was my spiritual grandmother! She was a Godly mentor and truly treasured by me. Knowing her faith has become sight . Love you Donna*
Colette Platts

colette - July 20, 2023 at 06:56 AM