



## Lena May Slaughter

May 25, 1937 - January 6, 2020

Lena May Slaughter, 82, of Dover, DE was called home on January 6, 2020. Born on May 25, 1937 to George and Edna (Pinkind) Irons, Lena grew up on Woodland Beach the fourth of seven children: June, Howard (Buddy), William (Dicky), Harold (Jitter), Lena, Lilian, and Kathleen (Shoey). She is preceded in death by her siblings with the exception of June, who resides in Dover. Lena married Ray Slaughter of Smyrna (Woodlawn Farms) in November 1955. They remained married until his death on her 80<sup>th</sup> birthday. They began their family on Woodland Beach before moving to High Street in Smyrna. After their fifth child was born in 1968, they moved to Dover into the home in which they raised their family and lived until their passing. Lena worked at Capital School District for many years, but her primary occupation – and primary joy – was her family. She is survived by her daughters Pennie (Tim) of Dover and BJ (Roger) of D'Iberville, MS, her step-daughter Sherry (Don) of Wilmington, and her sons Robin (Stacey) of Harrington, Barry of Dover, and Jon of Elkton, MD. Her legacy is her children, her 12 grandchildren for whom she was much more than a Mommom, her many great grandchildren, and everyone she touched with her generosity and compassion. Her home was open to anyone who needed a meal, a roof, or a friend. A remembrance service will be held Monday, January 13, at Trader Funeral Home on Lotus Street in Dover to honor Lena and celebrate her life. Visitation will begin at 11:30 with remembrances beginning at 12:30. All are invited to speak. A reception will follow at the home. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to your local area food bank, homeless shelter, or veteran's charity to continue the ripple of her compassion. Letters of condolences may be sent to [www.traderfh.com](http://www.traderfh.com)

# Cemetery

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## Lakeside

Dover, DE,

# Comments

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“ I am sorry not being able to pay my respects to Lena on Monday. I met Lena and talked quite frequently by phone when I was doing the John Jones and Elizabeth Mahoney family genealogy. She not only shared her many memories of Woodland but provided a wealth of information on the Slaughter family. Without her being so willing to help me I would have quite a void in the John Jones family.  
May God Bless you Lena,  
Harry A Talley

Harry A Talley - January 11 at 07:25 PM

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“ Bj,  
  
Our deepest sympathy to you and your family. Know that you are in our thoughts and prayers.  
  
Much love,  
Kathy & Ben Villarreal

Kathy Villarreal - January 10 at 01:12 PM

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“ she was pure love. rest now lady. oh and did I mention she is my aunt. love you aunt lena

george slaughter - January 10 at 11:58 AM

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“ Our deepest sympathy to this wonderful family in the passing of this loving, kind, and beautiful lady who was loved by all. We were fortunate to be a neighbor for 12 years and have Lena and Ray babysit our daughter, Rebecca. One of our many memories includes our evening get togethers on their porch. Our hope and prayers are that you find comfort knowing her suffering is over and Lena is in a better place. With love,  
Ed, Kathy, Chris, Kim and Rebecca

Kathy Gazze - January 10 at 09:11 AM

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“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lena May Slaughter.



January 10 at 08:25 AM

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“ Barry, Pennie, BJ, as well as all of the siblings, and family & friends, my most sincere sympathies and condolences to you all during this time. Mrs. Slaughter was a wonderful, kind person. May she Rest In Peace.



**Gail Dunkleberger** - January 10 at 12:01 AM