



Catherine Fay Harvey

January 6, 2023

Catherine Fay Harvey (nee Reed), age 80, recently of Hockessin, DE, passed away on Friday, January 6, 2023, after a long illness.

Catherine was the daughter of the late Wyatt and Eulah Reed, one of eleven siblings in a large close family who were raised in Rock, WV. The family relocated to the Delaware area in the 1950s but maintained ties with home in West Virginia. She and her husband, Mike, enjoyed many, many social visits and happy occasions with sisters, brothers, and their families.

Catherine particularly relished her role as the grandmother of thirteen and great grandmother of seven children. She traveled far, wide, and often to spend time with her children, including Caribbean cruises, trips to Kentucky, Ohio, Utah, Colorado, Florida, Virginia, Georgia, Oklahoma, Arizona, and even Barbados. She was always up for a game of cards and had a lifelong affinity for bingo, where she often won big.

She was generous with her time and resources. She helped out family and friends in need and gladly shared what she had. If she thought something would put a smile on someone's face – money, cars, collectibles, clothing – she would give it.

Catherine leaves behind her husband, Arthur/Mike; daughters, Cynthia Phillips (Andrew Ward) and Barbara Phillips; sons, Joseph Phillips (Susan) and Brian Harvey (Betsy); siblings, EW Reed (Marie), Frankie Moore (Bill), Ruby Wilson (Jimmy), and Bernice Bryan and their families; grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Although the family grieves the loss of our fun-loving

matriarch, we know she is at peace and happy to be reunited with her parents and siblings who have gone before her.

A visitation for family and friends will be held from 9:30 am until 10:30 am on Saturday, January 21, 2023, at Spicer-Mullikin Funeral Home, 1000 North DuPont Parkway, New Castle, DE, where a celebration of Catherine's life will begin at 10:30 am. Interment will follow in Gracelawn Memorial Park, 2220 North DuPont Highway, New Castle, DE.

Tribute Wall



“ Spicer - Mullikin Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Catherine Fay Harvey



Spicer - Mullikin Funeral Homes - August 25, 2025 at 05:07 PM

CH

“ So sorry for your loss. I know she will be missed. Cathy, I will always cherish our time together. You were a wonderful mother-in-law. So many memories sitting around watching the kids, doing jumbles, playing cards, and just talking. You were always so kind and generous to me. Love you!

Crystal Harvey - January 20, 2023 at 12:00 AM

JE

“ Thoughts and prayers for all. So sorry to hear of my cousins passing. She left many fond memories

Jean - January 11, 2023 at 12:00 AM

MR

“ Catherine, EW and I surely miss your smiling face and I will definitely miss playing games with you, EW and Mike. We sure did have some good times at Coffee Run and enjoyed Mike cooking for us. I am sure you will have a fantastic time in heaven with your family with out pain or suffering. Fly high young lady. We love you.
❤️❤� EW and Marie

Marie Reed - January 11, 2023 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ I will miss you mom. You were always there when we needed to bend your ear. I have the memories and thank you for those.

Brian Harvey - January 11, 2023 at 12:00 AM

GA

“ So sorry for your loss! It looks like she lived a full and happy life.

Gladys Anderson - January 11, 2023 at 12:00 AM

NI

“ You will be greatly missed I love you Aunt Catherine

Nick - January 11, 2023 at 12:00 AM

PB

“ My Condolences & Prayers 🙏 sent to all family and friends
REST IN LOVE 🌸❤�🌸
Pam Brooks

Pamela Brooks - January 11, 2023 at 12:00 AM