

Gloucester City News Obituaries

February 2022

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Adrienne L. Shaw (Feb. 3rd)

Adrienne L. Shaw, 56, of Gloucester City, passed away suddenly on January 18, 2022.

Born in Camden, she was the daughter of the late Benjamin Westcot. Adrienne is survived by her mother, Angelina Shaw; loving children, Ebben Melton and Lewis Young; and her brothers, Benjamin and Vincent Shaw. She was also predeceased by her brother, Victor Shaw.

Adrienne was a homemaker who loved to cook and spend time with family and friends.

Relatives and friends during her viewing and Funeral Service in the McCann-Funeral Home, 851 Monmouth St., Gloucester City starting at 4 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 2. Interment will be held at a later date.

Condolences and memories may be shared at www.mccannhealey.com under the obituary of Adrienne L. Shaw.

Rita Ann Ferry (Feb. 3rd)

Rita Ann Ferry (nee Beers) of Gloucester City passed away on January 24, 2022.

Born in Borne, MA, she was the daughter of Richard D. Beers and the late Rose S. Beers (nee Neff). She was a loving mother, wife, daughter, sister, aunt and friend. Rita is survived by her husband of 22 years, Gregory B. Ferry, and her daughter, RoseMarie Walker (Michael). She is also survived by her siblings, Donna Litz (John), Jane Beers, Robert Beers, Richard Beers (Lucy), and Marie Fitzpatrick (Tom); stepchildren Tina Bell (Dave) and Steve Ferry (Venus); grandchildren Ashley (Pat) and Brittany; great granddaughter Kaylee; nieces and nephews John Litz, Tim Litz, Jen Beers, Kevin Reid and Scott Reid; and her great nephews, KJ, Mason, David and Liam.

Rita was a kind soul, who helped anyone in need, and was always there to lend a helping hand. She was an animal advocate, who felt all animals should be helped no matter the type. She enjoyed gardening, reading sewing and spending time with her family.

She graduated from Deptford High School in 1975 after going to Edgewood until her junior year in high school. She moved to Gloucester City in the 1980s and has called it home ever since. Rita grew up enjoying the great outdoors. She was a bartender in the 80s at the Mill House, was an associate at Cumberland Farms on Broadway, and then served "Beers" at Frank's Place on Jersey Avenue until the late 1990s. Rita was a long time employee of Kennedy Hospital, working over 30 years in the supply chain at the three main campuses.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests making donations to Voorhees Animal Orphanage, 419 Cooper Road, Voorhees, NJ 08043. Please write: Rita Ann Ferry for the cats in the memo.

Honoring Rita's wishes, there will be no visitation or services. Condolences and memories may be shared at www.mccannhealey.com under the obituary of Rita Ann Ferry.

Funeral arrangements entrusted to the McCann-Healey Funeral Home, 851 Monmouth St., Gloucester City.

Samuel E. Hull (Feb. 3rd)

Samuel Ernest Hull, 49, of Darden TN., formerly of Gloucester City, passed away on January 22, 2022.

Beloved husband of Mary (nee Bishop). Devoted father of Samuel and Tyler Hull. Loving son of Donna Walker (Glenn). Dear brother of Bryan (Renee) and Brett (Shauna) Hull. Loved by his niece, nephews, aunts, uncles and friends from Gloucester City.

Sam always had a smile on his face and a joke on his lips. He was a devoted husband, father, brother, son, and friend. He loved shooting, painting miniatures, going to the gym, and helping others. His generosity and robust love of family and friends, will never be forgotten.

Family and friends celebrated Sam's life during viewing and Funeral Service at the Egizi Funeral Home.

The family requests donations in Samuel's memory be made to his children, Samuel, and Tyler Hull, c/o Egizi Funeral Home, 119, Ganttown Rd., Turnersville, NJ 08012.

Tara B. Powell (Feb. 3rd)

Tara B. Powell, 47, of Woodlynne, passed away suddenly on the morning of January 21, 2022.

Born in Stratford, she is the daughter of Frank Vitkow (Denise) and Susan Walker. Tara also is survived by her husband of 23 years, William "Billy" Powell; loving children, Samantha Powell, Alyssa Powell and Deanna Powell; sisters, Jennyfer Revelli, Nichelle Porto and Nichole Hayes; and her sister-in-law, Anna Wherrity.

Tara worked for many years as a waitress at the Metro Diner in Brooklawn. She loved doing crossword puzzles, making waffles and spending time with her family and her dog Layla.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend Tara's visitation on Thursday, Feb. 3, from 1 to 3 p.m. at the McCann-Healey Funeral Home, 851 Monmouth St., Gloucester City. Services will begin at 3 p.m. in the funeral home. She will be cremated as per her wishes.

The family is going to honor Tara by doing a private gathering after the services, but wishes to get together with friends at a later date.

In lieu of flowers or cards the family is asking for donations to her gofundme, found at <https://gofund.me/1e5558cf>.

Dolores Tracey (Feb. 10th)

Dolores Tracey, 94, of Bellmawr passed peacefully on January 28, 2022.

Beloved wife of the late Patrick Tracey Sr. Devoted mother of Patrick Jr, Michael (Mary Ann), James (Robin) and Kathy Davids (Ken). Loving grandmom of Jamie, Kimberly, Matthew, Makena, and Michael. Adored GiGi of Tommy, Gracie, Jayden, Ava, and Keira. She was predeceased by her six siblings and is survived by many nieces and nephews.

Dolores was a member of the Bellmawr Seniors, where she enjoyed her exercise classes and wacky Wednesdays. She was also a parishioner of St. Joachim Parish, where she was a lector and greeter, and attended Mass daily.

Friends and relatives remembered her fondly during a viewing in Annunciation BVM Church, Bellmawr, where the Funeral Mass was celebrated. Interment was private.

In lieu of flowers family requests donations be made in Dolores' name to Holy Redeemer Home Care & Hospice 160 E 9th Ave. Suite B, Runnemede, NJ 08078.

Funeral arrangements entrusted to the Gardner Funeral Home, 126 S. Black Horse Pike, Runnemede

Dylon Tredway (Feb. 10th)

Dylon Matthew Tredway, 28, of Clementon passed away suddenly on January 20, 2022.

Born in Stratford, he was the son of the late Guy Tredway. Dylon is survived by his mother, Tina Chadwick; loving children, Arturo Tredway and Autumn Coplon; his brothers, Tyler Tredway and Jordan Tredway; his sisters, Danielle Deans, Nicole Domenices and Tiffany Tredway; his grandmother, Sandra Chadwick; aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and his longtime friend, Mike Collins.

Dylon worked as a home health aide. He loved spending time with his family and friends.

Relatives and friends attended Dylon's visitation on Wednesday, Feb. 9, from 5 to 7 p.m. in the McCann-Healey Funeral Home, 851 Monmouth St., Gloucester City, where the Funeral Service was held at 7 p.m. Interment will be held at a later date.

Condolences and memories may be shared at www.mccannhealey.com.

George M. Gilbert Sr. (Feb. 10th)

George M. Gilbert Sr, 90, of Runnemede passed away on January 27, 2022.

Beloved husband of Rose (nee Foresta) of 70 years. Devoted father of George Jr. and the late Michael. Also survived by nieces and nephews.

George was a US Navy Veteran and was an employee of Temple University for 35 years.

Family and friends celebrated his life during the viewing and Funeral Service at the Gardner Funeral Home, 126 S. Black Horse Pike, Runnemede. Interment was at St. Joseph's Cemetery, Chews Landing.

Hubert J. Sloan (Feb. 10th)

Hubert J. Sloan, 86, of Sicklerville, formerly of Blackwood, passed away on February 2, 2022.

Beloved husband of 41 years to the late Elizabeth Sloan. Survived by his children, Joseph Sloan and MaryAnn Massa (Jimmy); grandchildren Joseph Sloan, Charles Sloan Jr., Joseph Massa and Steven Massa; and great-grandchildren, Jacey and Jaxon. In addition to his wife, Hubert was predeceased by his sons, Charles and James, and his granddaughter, Nicole Sloan Wagner.

Relatives and friends shared fond memories of Hubert during the visitation in St. Mary's Church, Gloucester City, where his Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated. Interment was in New St. Mary's Cemetery, Bellmawr.

In lieu of flowers, donations to the family would be appreciated.

Condolences and memories may be shared at www.mccannhealey.com. Funeral arrangements entrusted to the McCann-Healey Funeral Home, 851 Monmouth St., Gloucester City.

John J. Cleaver (Feb. 10th)

John J. "Jack" Cleaver, 86, of Brooklawn passed away last week. Jack was predeceased by his loving wife, Rosemarie F. Cleaver (nee McLean).

He is survived by many loving family members who will miss him dearly. He was a loving and enthusiastic "Grampy" to his granddaughters Marin and Amelia. He also had a wide network of lifelong friends, neighbors, classmates and coworkers that he kept in close contact with, always ready with a quick witted joke, a smile or a kind gesture.

Jack was born at home on King Street in Gloucester City in 1935 to the late George and Mildred Cleaver. He was a proud graduate of the Milton Hershey School, Class of 1954, and went on to proudly serve our country in the U.S. Air Force. Jack served in the 4th Air Police Squadron and traveled to all corners of the world.

Jack retired from the Philadelphia Navy Yard as a rigger/general foreman and then held various jobs in the security field after his retirement. Jack loved his frequent get-togethers with his former coworkers and classmates. For those of you who knew him, you know the stories could go on far too long for the page!

In memory of Jack, please consider a donation to Milton Hershey School Alumni Association, online at www.mhsalum.org/mhsaa-memorial-donations/.

Condolences and memories may be shared at www.mccannhealey.com. Funeral arrangements entrusted to the McCann-Healey Funeral Home, 851 Monmouth St., Gloucester City.

Margaret Lewis (Feb. 10th)

Some families are funny, some are messed up and some are just fine. If you think yours is crazy... you should see mine. Go big or go home!

Margaret M. "Marge" Lewis (nee McCormick) was the matriarch, mom and grandmom of this giant family, who everyone adored. Margie had a heart of gold, but was known to be blunt and very matter-of-fact. If she wasn't at the Dollar Tree she was hanging out with Pat and found you on Snapchat, no matter where you were or what you were doing. To the world, she may have been just a mother, but to her family, she was our world.

Because she would not stop for death, suddenly on January, 27, 2022 he unexpectedly stopped for Margie at her apartment in Gloucester City. The carriage held but just Margie and immortality. She was either going to heaven in a wheelbarrow or hell in a shopping cart, and we suddenly became next of kin to the wayward wind.

Margie had spent all of her days as a Gloucester City neighbor. She worked briefly as a housekeeper at the now-defunct Days Inn in Brooklawn. Her family was most important and she did enjoy making some wreaths and crafting. We all have her wreaths on our doors.

Margie is the daughter of the late George and Catherine (nee Smith) McCormick. Mrs. Lewis was the doting wife and co-founder of the large Lewis family, but was predeceased by her late husband, the junker and football coach, James E. "Jim Bo" Lewis in 2009.

She is the mother of Chrissy and her husband Ray, Danny and his wife Veronica, Katie and her husband John, Michael and his wife Alexis, Mark and his wife Lyndsie, Anthony and his wife Kayla, Tiffany and her husband Greg... and last but certainly not least Lauren and her husband Pat. Marge is the proud grandmother of R.J., Danaka, Madi, Alli, Bradon, Haylee, Bella, Bryce, Kaydence, Alex, Greyson, Avery, Daniel, Colton, M.J., Maci, McKenna, Emily, William and the late Benjamin Zuccarelli. Margie is the niece of Margaret Hargesheimer, Lorraine Smith and sister-in-law of Mary McCormick. She was predeceased by her sister Jackie Baker and her brothers Carl, Charlie and George McCormick.

Margie is survived by and will be sadly missed by her sister Diane and her husband Tom Wirt, her dear friend Pat Crain, as well as her many nieces and nephews, especially Michelle, her Goddaughter Angie, Mackenzie, and Cathy.

Relatives and friends share heartfelt stories of a lifetime in the "Holy City" and snapchatting in the Etherington & Creran Funeral Homes, Gloucester City, followed by a remembrance ceremony. The graveside tribute was at Woodbury Memorial Park.

Mary E. Simko (Feb. 10th)

Mary E. Simko (nee Speece), 90, of Deptford passed away on January 31, 2022.

She is survived by her children, Mary Flanary (Don), Deborah Holmes (Edward), Joan Smith (Wayne), Christine Adelsberger (Stephan), Judy Bay (John), John Simko (Lynette), David Simko, Laurie Schwebel (Edward), Kevin Simko (Brenda) and Trisha Houston (Lisa). Predeceased by her four siblings, Mary is also survived by many grandchildren, great grandchildren and great-great grandchildren as well as nieces and nephews.

Born in Philadelphia to the late Francis and Nellie Speece. Mary was very devoted to her Catholic faith. In lieu of flowers to the family, donations in memory of Mary can be made to the Voorhees Animal Orphanage, 419 Cooper Rd. Voorhees NJ 08043.

Condolences and memories may be shared at www.mccannhealey.com. Funeral arrangements entrusted to the McCann-Healey Funeral Home, 851 Monmouth St., Gloucester City.

Patricia R. Hofflinger (Feb. 10th)

Patricia R. Hofflinger (nee Butler), 77, of Westville passed away on January 30, 2022.

Patricia was predeceased by her beloved husband, Harry W. Hofflinger Sr. Loving mother of Joseph Brown (late Colleen), Dawn Colofranson (Tony), Janet Goetz (Pete), Sharon Hofflinger (Gill) and Harry W. Hofflinger, Jr. Cherished grandmother of Heidi, Joey, Casey, Caitlin, Tara, Anthony, Matt, Tom, Rebecca, Layla and Liam, and great grandmother of 14. Beloved sister of Carol Patrick (Bob) and the late Joan Ferritti.

Patricia loved and cherished her grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated in St. Mary's Church, Gloucester City. Burial followed in Hillcrest Memorial Park, Hurffville.

In lieu of flowers, donations are requested in memory of Patricia to: St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105 or online at www.stjude.org/donate/. Please write: Patricia R. Hofflinger in the memo.

Condolences and Memories may be shared at www.mccannhealey.com. Funeral arrangements entrusted to the McCann-Healey Funeral Home, 851 Monmouth St., Gloucester City.

Reba Tobin-Wills (Feb. 10th)

There will be a visitation and Funeral Service Sunday, Feb. 13, beginning at 10 a.m. with the service at 11:30 a.m., in the McCann-Healey Funeral Home, 851 Monmouth St., Gloucester City, celebrating the life of Reba E. Tobin-Wills, 71, of Brooklawn who had passed away on March 9, 2020.

Beloved wife of Robert Tobin for 26 years. Loving mother of Linda Romano, David Coulter, Trudy Riggs and Richard Tobin; grandmother of Crystal, Joseph Jr., Karyn, Kevin, Jimmy, Kenny, Ieisha and Jessica; and great-grandmother of nine.

Reba worked as a bus driver for 25 years with the Holcomb Bus Company, Bellmawr. She also worked for several years as a waitress. Reba loved being with family, shooting pool. She had a big heart and loved to help everyone. Condolences and memories may be shared at www.mccannhealey.com.

Charlotte E. Spaeth (Feb. 17th)

Charlotte E. Spaeth, 99, of Runnemede passed away peacefully on Tuesday, February, 8, 2022.

Born in Chemnitz, Germany, and raised in Philadelphia and Glassboro, she resided most of her adult life in Runnemede. She graduated from Glassboro High School in 1940 and married her late husband, Warren T. Spaeth, Sr., in 1941.

Charlotte had a long career with Atlantic Richfield in Philadelphia and Los Angeles, and retired in 1988. She believed in a healthy, spiritual lifestyle and exercised regularly well into her 90s. She loved to go shopping at local stores, and cherished her time with family through visits, letters, phone calls and Facetime. She was a huge fan of The Moody Blues, having attended a number of their concerts.

Charlotte is survived by her sons Warren Jr. (Jennifer), Edward (Mary), and the late Richard Spaeth. She was passionate about her seven grandchildren, Julie, Ted, Jeff, Justin, Phillip, Sarah, and Katie, and her four great-grandchildren Chance, Jax, Harmony, and Franklyn, along with her beloved nieces and nephews. She is predeceased by her three sisters, Elsie, Melanie, and Elisabeth.

She was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church. The family will be holding private services at a later date. Funeral arrangements entrusted to the Gardner Funeral Home, 126 S. Black Horse Pike, Runnemede.

Edward Szachewicz (Feb. 17th)

Our American soldiers do not fight because they hate what's in front of them. They serve because they love what's behind them. Edward Szachewicz loved and protected his country. He had a heart for the wilderness, and was an avid hunter and fisherman, that taught him humility, patience and balance through nature.

On Saturday February 5, 2022, we learned how terrible it is to love something that death can touch. After 90 years, we let dad go from his home in Gloucester City. One day we will know how lucky we were to have known our dad's love with wonder – and not grief.

Ed was born in Barrington and spent his formative years there. He enlisted in the military immediately after high school, upholding the ideals of our American freedoms in Korea as a sergeant in the U.S. Army. He had been a long time Gloucester City neighbor, where he raised his family and made his career as a postal clerk in the Audubon post office.

Ed was a good dad. He was dependable and loving. He had been a parishioner of St. Joseph's Church in Camden, and a member of the Polish Americans Citizens Club of Camden County in Runnemede, the South Jersey Beagle Club in Southampton, and the Bellmawr VFW Post 7410.

Mr. Szachewicz is the widower of his late wife Grace (nee McDowell) and is the father of Patricia and her late husband Norman Baker Jr., Edward and his wife Sharon, Steven and his husband John, and Barbara and her husband Allan Westenberger. Ed is the proud grandfather of Natasha, Joshua, Janine, Michele, Norman, Erin, Allan and Alexa, and great-grandfather of Lukas, Tate, Tyler, Addison and McKenna.

Relatives, friends and neighbors gathered with the Szachewicz family, told old fishing stories and came together in faith in the Etherington & Creran Funeral Home, Gloucester City, where the Funeral Ceremony was celebrated by Father Walter Norris. The graveside tribute included the witness of love's reunion and U.S. Army military honors at New St. Mary's Cemetery, Bellmawr.

Eugene Lattanzi (Feb. 17th)

Eugene Lattanzi, 90, of Bellmawr, formerly of Ocean City and originally from Mount Ephraim, passed away on February 5, 2022.

Beloved husband of the late Barbara. Devoted father of Gene, Marianne, Kathleen (Rich) and Patricia. Loving grandfather of Gene, Danielle, Bob, Darby (Eddie), Dylan, and Brandon. Great grandfather of Chase and Leni. Brother of the late Dominic.

Eugene retired from RCA in Camden. He loved Ocean City and the Jersey Shore.

Friends and relatives celebrated his life during the viewing and Funeral Service at the Gardner Funeral Home, 126 S. Black Horse Pike, Runnemede. Entombment was in Harleigh Cemetery, Camden.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to American Cancer Society, PO Box 22478, Oklahoma City, OK 73123 (www.cancer.org).

Mary F. Rudnick (Feb. 17th)

Mary F. Rudnick (nee Donahue), 81, of Bellmawr passed away on February 9, 2022.

Devoted mother of Sharon Murray (Brian), Anne Schnapp (Steve) and the late Colleen Marie Rudnick. Loving grandmother of Tina (Brendan), Nicole (Zak), David (Jessica), Eric, and Sam (Mike), and great grandmother of Jack, Kate, Henrik, Grant, Lana, and Hazel. Dear sister of Joan Cronin (John) and Richard Donahue (Tanya). Beloved aunt of Christopher Donahue.

Mary retired from Campbell Soup Company in Camden. She was most proud of her work with the Camden County Child Assault Program. Mary was raised in Bermuda and had many fond memories of her time there.

Relatives and friends attended her viewing in Annunciation BVM Church, Bellmawr, where the Funeral Mass was celebrated. Interment was in New St. Mary's Cemetery, Bellmawr.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Mary's memory to St. Jude Children's Research, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

Funeral arrangements entrusted to the Gardner Funeral Home, 126 S. Black Horse Pike, Runnemede.

Raymond E. Saunders (Feb. 17th)

Raymond E. Saunders, 57, of Gloucester City passed away on February 3, 2022.

He is survived by his children, Raeann M. Saunders and Joseph J. Saunders; his siblings, Ralph J. Saunders III and Maureen A. (Denis) Moran; as well as many loving nieces, nephews, great-nieces and nephews, cousins and his aunt, MaryAnn Saunders. Predeceased by his parents, Ralph J. Saunders, Jr. and Margaret A. Saunders (nee Pine); his brother, David Saunders; and his nephew, Matthew Moran.

Ray was a member of IBEW Local 351 in Folsom and the Knights of Columbus Council 674 in Gloucester City. Relatives and friends attended his viewing on Friday morning at St. Mary's Church, Gloucester City, where the Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated. Interment was private in New Saint Mary's Cemetery, Bellmawr.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Msgr. Lucitt's Needy Children's Fund, PO Box 87, Gloucester City, NJ 08030. Please write in memo, Raymond E. Saunders.

Condolences and Memories may be shared at www.mccannhealey.com. Funeral arrangements entrusted to the McCann-Healey Funeral Home, 851 Monmouth St., Gloucester City.

Shirley Hunter (Feb. 17th)

Shirley Hunter (nee Finger) was both hellfire and holy water, a thunderstorm looking to be understood in a world of sunny days. Elvis Presley said; "You only pass through this life once, you don't come back for an encore." But, a mother's love remains infinite, passing the torch of life, transcending generation to generation. That's how our mothers take care of business.

Shirley adored her family, loved and spoiled her grandchildren, and always enjoyed pushing her feet into the beach's warm sand. Some memories never leave your heart. Just as every salty tear returns to the sea, on Monday, February 7, 2022, our tears didn't fall, they crashed around us. After 73 years, our mom's tide had unexpectedly slipped away from the beach's sand. Shirley had left the building.

Shirley was born in Camden and had been a long-time Gloucester City neighbor. She loved trips to Disney, Memphis, country music, and got to visit Graceland. With kid's gloves, she got to hold "The King's" acoustic guitar and also cut herself in Graceland's kitchen. Back in the "Holy City" she worked as a crossing guard and cared for her family.

Shirley came from an exceptionally large family, one of 11 children. Unfortunately, four of her siblings have passed before her but she leaves six to cherish the memories, pressed between the pages of our minds. To the world, she may have just been a mother. But, to her family, she was the world.

Shirley was the daughter of the late Elizabeth VanZant, the mother of Donna Hunter (Marcelino), Elizabeth and her husband Stan Burmylo, her namesake "S.A.L" Shirley and her husband John Lindeborn, John Hunter Jr. (Alaina), Kelly and her husband Jack Wunsch, and Alexis Wilkins and her husband Cliff. Shirley is a proud grandmother who is survived and will be sadly missed by 18 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

Relatives and friends shared stories about Shirley in the Etherington & Creran Funeral Home, Gloucester City, where a Remembrance Ceremony was celebrated. The graveside tribute followed at Calvary Cemetery, Cherry Hill.

Alice M. Bowers (Feb. 24th)

Alice M. Bowers (nee Walker), 92, a lifelong resident of Runnemede, passed away on February 14, 2022.

Beloved wife of the late John H. Bowers. Devoted mother of Alice Bowers-Maloney and Karen L. Cella. Loving grandmother of Brynn Hansen Drisch, Amanda Cella, and John Little and his wife Shanon, and great grandmother of Evan and David Drisch. Also survived by many nieces, nephews, and dear friends.

Alice attended Mt. Calvary Church for over 60 years. She was also a member of the Runnemede VFW Ladies Auxiliary.

Relatives and friends celebrated her life during the viewing at the Gardner Funeral Home, 126 S. Black Horse Pike, Runnemede, followed by the Funeral Service. Interment was at Chews United Methodist Cemetery, Glendora.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Alice's memory to Holy Redeemer HomeCare & Hospice, 160 9th Avenue, Runnemede, NJ 08078.

Clement E. McKinney Sr. (Feb. 24th)

Clement E. "Mick" McKinney Sr. was genuinely a good man and an honorable family man who believed in and spent a lifetime serving and supporting his community. "Mick" faced adversity and danger head-on, revealing his strength in character. Mr. McKinney loved to travel and had seen the world cruising it over the years. As we are about to go on a journey, "Bon Voyage" is shared and exclaimed. Goodbye and good luck.

On Friday, February 11, 2022, after 79 trips around the sun, we said goodbye and farewell from his longtime home. Mr. McKinney was born in Woodbury and had been an active and engaged Brooklawn neighbor, raising his family and protecting its citizens for many years.

Mick began his career in the fire service in 1965 and was later joined by both of his sons. He had been a life member of Brooklawn Fire Co., Station 34-4, where he served as captain and was an enthusiastic firehouse softball teammate. He was recognized for 25 years of continuous service in 1990 and had subsequently continued his dedication and service firefighting with Bellmawr Park Fire Co., Station 3-3, for 13 years. During his early years, Mick volunteered as a Brooklawn Athletic Association baseball coach, he supported the Gloucester City Mustangs,

and had been a member of the Gloucester City Sportsmen Athletic Club. Mick enjoyed hunting and fishing on his many boats and loved to travel, especially to Ocean City, MD.

True love is your soul's recognition of its counterpoint in another. Mick had met and was lucky enough to marry his high school sweetheart enjoying 57 years of marriage and family. Mr. McKinney is survived by his loving wife, Elaine (Nee Hilderbrand), and is the father of Dallas and his wife Valerie McKinney, and Clement "Ed" and his wife Kori McKinney Jr. He is the proud grandfather of Maddison, Mackenzie, Kelsey, Carly and Katie, and is also survived and will be sadly missed by his brother Robert and his wife Sandy McKinney.

Relatives, friends and fire service brothers told fishing tales and shared memories at the Etherington & Creran Funeral Homes, Gloucester City, followed by a remembrance ceremony celebrated Pastor Daniel J. Amey. The graveside tribute was at Woodbury Memorial Park.

Lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to the Brooklawn Fire Co., 100 S. Wilson Ave. Brooklawn, NJ 08030 www.brooklawnfire.org.

Elizabeth J. Collins (Feb. 24th)

Elizabeth J. Collins (nee McClaine), 79 of Gloucester City passed away on February 11, 2022.

Predeceased by her husband, Robert Lee Collins, Sr.; her parents, Augustus and Helen McClaine; her sister, Helen Fuhlbrick (late Frank, Sr.); and her step-daughter, Maryanne Eller. Survived by her caregiver and nephew, Frank Fuhlbrick Jr.; her nieces, Betsy (Benny) Zipple and Jane Kauffman; and step-children, Barbara Stafford (Stan), Robert Lee Collins Jr. (Colleen) and Tina Greene (Mike).

Betsy was a longtime resident of Gloucester City. She worked many years for Saint-Gobain Performance Plastics. Relatives and friends celebrated her life during the viewing at the McCann-Healey Funeral Home, 851 Monmouth St., followed by the Funeral Service. Interment was in New St. Mary's Cemetery, Bellmawr.

Condolences and Memories may be shared at www.mccannhealey.com under the obituary of Elizabeth J. Collins.

Jeanette P. DeCasere (Feb. 24th)

Jeanette P. DeCasere (nee LaGreca), 86, of Runnemede passed away on February 11, 2022.

Devoted wife of 58 years to Thomas. Beloved mother of Debra Helhowski (Michael). Daughter of the late Frank and Mary (LaPalomanto) LaGreca. Loving sister of Elaine Tartaglia (the late Felix), Linda Cook (George), and the late Sarah Goffredo (the late Angelo). Also survived by many nieces, nephews and cousins.

Jeanette was a parishioner of St. Teresa's Church for more than 40 years and was also a member of the Altar and Rosary Society. She loved going to the Jersey Shore, taking walks on the beach, and taking part in senior boot camp. Jeanette was active with her husband in the 82nd Airborne Association.

Family and friends celebrated her life during the viewing in the Gardner Funeral Home, 126 S. Black Horse Pike, Runnemede. The Funeral Mass was celebrated in St. Teresa's Church, Runnemede. Interment was private.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Jeanette's memory to St. John of God Community Services 1145 Delsea Drive, Westville, NJ 08093. Family and friends may share memories at www.GardnerFuneralHome.com

Margaret C. Boker (Feb. 24th)

Margaret C. Boker (nee Hart), 81, of Gloucester City, passed away on February 15, 2022.

Beloved wife of the late Donald Boker. Devoted mother of Linda Angelo and her husband Ron. Loving grandmother of Matt, Ian, Mikey, and Eric. Dear sister of Bess Dunn and her husband Jeff. Also survived by her niece, Betty Leyman.

Margaret enjoyed crocheting, reading, and watching Jeopardy. Her greatest joy was spending time with her grandchildren and watching them bowl.

Family and friends celebrated Margaret's life during the viewing at the Gardner Funeral Home, 126 S. Black Horse Pike, Runnemede, followed by the Funeral Service. Interment was private at the request of the family.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. Stephen's Lutheran Church, 230 N. Evergreen Avenue, Woodbury, NJ 08096. Family and friends may share memories at www.GardnerFuneralHome.com.