



Donna Swaffer

February 25, 1948 - April 10, 2024

Donna Carrie Swaffer (Fleming), age 76, of Springfield, passed away Wednesday, April 10, 2024, at Ascension Saint Thomas West Hospital in Nashville. A Celebration of Life will be held Saturday, May 4, 2024, from 10am until 2pm in the chapel of Austin & Bell Funeral Home in Greenbrier, TN.

Ms. Swaffer was born February 25, 1948 in Clarksville to the late Elmer Haynes and Mildred Powers Fleming. She worked as a phlebotomist at Gateway Hospital and attended Cross Roads Baptist Church. She was always on the go and enjoyed water aerobics at the local YMCA, lunches and weekend trips with her church and Sunday school, traveling with friends and family, dancing at the senior citizen events, and family gatherings.

In addition to her parents, Ms. Swaffer is preceded in death by her brothers, Andy, Sluggo and Michael and her sister, Kay.

Ms. Swaffer is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Dauphne and Darrell McGavic; brother and sister-in-law, David and Cathy Fleming; sisters and brothers-in-law, Kelly Brown, Vicki and Doug Freeman, and Jo and Larry Byrd; 2 grandchildren- Dylan McGavic and Brittany Clanton; and 3 great-grandsons- Emmitt, Owen, and Reece Clanton. Ms. Swaffer is also survived by her precious fur baby, Bailee (often referred to as the fat goldendoodle), who enjoyed trips to Dairy Queen for pup cups.

Austin & Bell Funeral Home in Greenbrier is in charge of these arrangements.

AUSTIN & BELL FUNERAL HOME-

2619 HIGHWAY 41 S., GREENBRIER, TN 37073 (615) 643-4000

Previous Events

Celebration of Life Gathering

MAY 4. 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Austin & Bell Funeral Home Greenbrier
2619 Hwy 41 S
Greenbrier, TN 37073
(615) 643-4000
<https://austinandbell.com>

Tribute Wall



“ Janet Cook (Howell) purchased the Sweet Tenderness for the family of Donna Swaffer.



Janet Cook (Howell) - April 30, 2024 at 05:05 PM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Donna Swaffer.



April 29, 2024 at 08:30 PM



“ Tim and Angela Toppins planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donna Swaffer.

Tim and Angela Toppins - April 29, 2024 at 08:30 PM



“ The Scanlan Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Donna Swaffer.



The Scanlan Family - April 23, 2024 at 08:41 PM

DH

“ I have spent many a night with Donna as we were growing up. I loved her like a sister. After we graduated from high school life got busy and we didn't keep in touch. She was always a beacon of light, a good friend and always had a funny story to tell. May the wonderful memories you shared with Donna comfort you at this time. Rest in peace sweet Donna, we'll catch up in heaven.



Debra Heaton - April 14, 2024 at 11:52 AM

PA

“ Donna was in my coworker and friend for many years. When she retired she chose me to replace her and trusted me to take care of HER patients. Donna taught me more about Phlebotomy than anyone and I had to earn her respect. We became good friends over the years and I was blessed to have had her in my life. Rest my sweet friend in the everlasting arms of our Lord Jesus, until I see you again in heaven ❤️

Pamela Austin - April 12, 2024 at 08:17 PM

CC

“ Donna was an experienced phlebotomist when I began my career as a Medical Technologist. Donna had a patient that came through the hospital often and had no family. When I was training with Donna she took the time to brush Effie's hair and made sure she was comfortable before going to the next patient. I will always remember Donna for her compassion for others, her sense of humor, and her untamed spirit!

Christine Myers Cornell - April 12, 2024 at 05:45 PM

AA

“ Sending, comfort, hugs and prayers to you Dauphne and your family during this difficult time.



Amy Arnold - April 12, 2024 at 03:15 PM

PG

“ Donna and I met at the Y in Springfield. She was always good for a laugh and a sassy comment. I am thankful to have had her in my life these last few years.

Penny Gilligan - April 12, 2024 at 12:11 PM

WL

...I remember attending Church with Donna in Clarksville for a few years. She was always so kind and sweet. She enjoyed sharing her Christmas "goodies". May God give your family peace and comfort and know that she hasn't gone, she's gone home.

Wanda R Lewis - April 12, 2024 at 01:05 PM

CM

“ My fun loving, “tell it like it is” cousin! You will be greatly missed.
Love, Carole Ann

Carole Ann McCormick - April 12, 2024 at 07:59 AM