



# **Donnis (Exacustides) Zawasky**

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**A**ge 86, formerly of Lincoln Place (Pittsburgh) born in Homestead, PA. Donniss went into the presence of her Lord on Wednesday, July 27, 2022. Donniss was a graduate of Homestead High School in 1954. She met her husband, Stephen Zawasky, while working for Westinghouse Bettis Plant. She also retired as a secretary from Westinghouse Savannah River Site, Aiken, SC.

She was the daughter of the late Gus and Ethel Exacustides. Preceded in death by her son, Brian Zawasky, and her husband, Stephen Zawasky. Donniss is survived by her children: Mark (Anne) Zawasky and Cheryl (Roger) Mahr. She is the loving Yia Yia of Leah Donniss and Logan Zawasky, and Tyler and Zachary Mahr. She is also preceded in death by her siblings: Gertrude Miller, Mary Hyland, William Exacustides, Phyllis Allen, Cleda Muskovac, and Gust Exacustides.

Donniss was a member of Library Baptist Church, Upper Room Sunday School Class and served as a volunteer of the Finleyville Food Pantry. She was an avid supporter of the ALS Association. She loved spending time with her family and listening to Elvis gospel songs. Donniss also loved planning all of the luncheons for her church Sunday school class. When she was younger, Donniss also enjoyed bowling and doing ceramics. Her favorite things to do in recent years included sitting on her front porch in the sunshine and watching Hallmark movies.

Family will receive guests for a Celebration of Life Service at Jefferson Memorial Funeral Home on Tuesday August 2, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. Visitation to be held on Monday August 1, 2022 from 2 to 4 pm & 6 to 8 pm at the Jefferson Memorial Funeral Home, Inc., Curry Hollow Road, Pittsburgh.

Online condolences may be shared at [www.jeffersonmemorial.com](http://www.jeffersonmemorial.com).

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be sent to the ALS Association, Western PA Chapter, 416 Lincoln Ave., Pittsburgh, PA 15209 or online at <http://webwpawv.alsa.org/goto/TeamZawk>



## Tribute Wall

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MB

**Melissa Bulice** posted:

From Marilyn Exacustides: Was a wonderful service. I will always remember all the wonderful memories I have of our family being together. Love y'all

August 2 at 7:44 AM

MB

**Melissa Bulice** posted:

I have many fond childhood memories of spending time at Aunt Donnis and Uncle Steve's house during our summer trips. Thanks for the countless chipped ham sandwiches! I will also cherish a few FaceTime talks we had (mainly talking to her forehead because she didn't know how to use her phone!) Needless to say I know she loved her Arkansas family dearly! You will always be loved and greatly missed! Love, Mimi (Melissa Bulice)

August 2 at 7:13 AM

JA

**Jeffrey M Agee** posted:

Cheryl, We are praying for you and your brother and your family and are so very sorry for your loss. May the peace of our Lord and Saviour sustain you until you are reunited with your mom in the presence of Jesus. Your neighbors and your friends, Mark, Jan, Tyler & Abby

August 1 at 6:51 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

You will be in our hearts forever, Yia-yia.

July 31 at 10:39 AM

SB

**Scott And Karen Berneburg** posted:

Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

July 30 at 4:42 AM

LV

**Love, The Violets** posted:

Praying for you and your family. Sending lots of love.

July 29 at 3:59 PM



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CH

**Carol Horton** posted:

Cheryl, so sorry to hear about your mom. You and your family are in my prayers during this sad time. Hold your memories close to your heart. It helps to give you peace and know that she is rejoicing in heaven. 🙏—Carol Horton

July 29 at 12:51 PM

JB

**Janet Berneburg** posted:

My deepest sympathy goes out to the family . I've known Donis and her children who are adults now for a very long time. I am so very sorry for your loss. We know that she is with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ but it is still difficult to lose those that we love. She will be missed by many because she was loved by so many. Our deepest sympathy, Janet Berneburg and Dennis Ohare

July 29 at 12:14 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Our most heartfelt sympathies and praying you find assurance in God's word, peace in the presence He gives, and comfort in His unwavering love.

July 29 at 6:40 AM

LF

**Lynn Forkin** posted:

Praying that loving memories, family, friends, and your faith help you through this difficult time. Cordially,

July 29 at 4:29 AM

JF

**John & Cynthia Frady** posted:

We are thinking of and praying for the family. May the Peace that passes all understanding rest on you all.

July 28 at 4:10 PM

DC

**Debbie Colwell** posted:

You have our sympathy. Ralph and Debbie Colwell

July 28 at 4:09 PM



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BF

**Bucky McClelland Family** posted:

Are hearts are heavy to see her leave but we rejoice in that we that are saved will live together for Eternity

July 28 at 1:58 PM

LT

**Love, North Metro Baptist Operations Team** posted:

Our thoughts and prayers are with you. May your heart and soul find peace and comfort. Blessings to you and your family.

July 28 at 10:50 AM



# Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Donnis by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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