



## Doris Katherine Johnson

December 11, 1948 - February 28, 2025

Doris Johnson died peacefully at Baystate Medical Center on February 28, 2025 at the age of 76.

Doris is survived by her daughter, Katherine Richard; son in law Jason Richard, and two grandchildren Logan Richard and Bradley Richard. Doris also leaves behind two sisters Carol Mulrain and Debbie Bissionette, and two brothers Chris Kularski with his wife Anna Kularski, and Stanley Kularski. As well as multiple nieces/nephews and extended family members. Doris is preceded in death by her husband Philip Johnson, her parents Shirley and Joseph Kularski, two brothers Joe Kularski, William Kularski and a sister Sandy Kady.

Doris was born in December in Massachusetts to Joseph and Shirley Kularski. She graduated from David Prouty High School in Spencer, MA. She married Philip Johnson, who she met through his mother Dorothy Johnson, while working at a local donut store. After moving to Wilbraham, Doris began working for the school bus company in Wilbraham (LPVEC) as a school bus driver and then moved up to a management position. She was able to retire from LPVEC and remained in Wilbraham with her daughter and family until her passing.

Doris was a dedicated individual who loved her grandchildren, animals (especially her beloved dog, Gizmo), her friends, the Patriots and the beach. She would vacation each year at either Cape Cod or Old Orchard Beach in Maine. She loved to sit in her beach chair in the sun and stare out and watch

the ocean waves. She was very adventurous in the latter part of her life including parasailing, zip lining, cruising to Bermuda, whale watching, hitting big at the casinos and even riding a motorcycle daily. She formed deep long lasting friendships and bonds with most everyone that she came in contact with, especially her best friend Brenda.

A private ceremony is scheduled for March 12, 2025 at Hillcrest Cemetery in Springfield, MA where she will be laid to rest with her husband, Phil. A celebration of life will be planned in the Spring, where all her friends and family can come together and remember the life of Doris. Kathy will reach out and inform everyone on the details, once the event is closer. The family would like to thank all the medical staff at Baystate Medical Center for their efforts and care while she was at their hospital, especially Annette Aubert, RN for her kind and caring dedication for ensuring Doris was comfortable and able to rest. And lastly, Kim Pellegrini, who was taking care of her while she was still at home. New England Funeral & Cremation Center, 25 Mill Street, Springfield, MA has been entrusted with the arrangements. Please visit Mrs. Johnson's memorial page at [www.nefcc.net](http://www.nefcc.net) for expressions of sympathy.

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

MAR 12. 12:00 PM (ET)

Hillcrest Park Cemetery  
859 Parker Street  
Springfield, MA 01129

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Doris was always happy and ready for adventure. She came far from home to see me at my air force duty stations in SC and in NE. She enjoyed a good time, riding a motorcycle, playing ball, target practice, or playing cards. She will be missed.*

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**LOU FEDLER (uncle)** - March 10, 2025 at 12:08 PM

TG

“ *The Gwaras purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Doris Katherine Johnson.*



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**The Gwaras** - March 10, 2025 at 11:03 AM

DP

“ *Donna Pikul lit a candle in memory of Doris Johnson*



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**Donna Pikul** - March 07, 2025 at 02:05 PM

PW

“ *Doris welcomed me to LPCEC as a new employee & treated me fairly and earned my respect! Doris was top notch in my book!*

*Please accept my sincere sympathy,*

*Paul Westberg*

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**Paul Westberg** - March 05, 2025 at 08:15 PM

PB

“ I am deeply saddened to hear of Doris’s passing. We were neighbors on South Street many years ago. Also played softball in high school together. I will always cherish the memories of her from many years ago. May she rest in peace.

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**Paula Boulette** - March 05, 2025 at 04:15 PM

DZ

“ Doris, you were a friend to many! Your loss will be felt by many my friend! Love you!



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**Donna. ZPikul** - March 05, 2025 at 07:20 AM