



## Paula C. DeWees

August 12, 1947 - February 10, 2025

Paula Colleen DeWees, 77, of Astoria, passed away at 4:35 p.m. on Monday, February 10, 2025 at Graham Hospital in Canton. She was born on August 12, 1947 in Canton to George and Helen (Bunch) Tarvin. She married George DeWees on December 9, 1967 and they later divorced.

Paula is survived by her sons, Andrew DeWees and Joshua (Melinda) DeWees; grandchildren, Darian (Dylan) Hull, Mikayla Howarter, and Elena DeWees; great-grandchildren, Lorelei, Peter, and Fitzgerald Hull; brother, Ted Tarvin; and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; brother, Larry Tarvin; and sister, Carol Palmer.

Paula was a member of Isabel Community Church. She taught school in Havana and Astoria, and retired from teaching in 2011. She loved her students and helping children. She was also a huge Elvis fan.

A funeral service will be held on Saturday, February 15, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. at Hurley Funeral Home in Havana, with a visitation one hour prior to the service from 9:00 a.m. until 10:00 a.m. Rev. Shalom Renner will officiate. Burial will follow the service at Laurel Hill Cemetery in Havana.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made in Paula's name to the Lewy Body Dementia Association or the charity of the donor's choice. Online condolences can be left for her family at [www.hurleyfh.com](http://www.hurleyfh.com).

Hurley Funeral Home in Havana is in charge of arrangements.

# Cemetery Details

## Laurel Hill Cemetery

1105 E Laurel Ave  
Havana, IL 62644  
(309) 543-2986

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 15. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Hurley Funeral Home - Havana  
217 North Plum Street  
P.O. Box #648  
Havana, IL 62644  
(309) 543-2244  
<https://www.hurleyfh.com/>

## Funeral Service

FEB 15. 10:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ Hurley Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Paula C. DeWees



Hurley Funeral Home - February 17, 2025 at 04:18 PM

RB

“ Sending my condolences to Paula's loved ones. She was a lovely person. Rita Badger

Rita Badger - February 15, 2025 at 05:40 AM

MV

“ So sorry to read of Paula's passing. We were classmates in high school. A very sweet friend. Prayers for family and friends.

Martha Parkinson Vaughn - February 14, 2025 at 08:17 AM

BM

“ Becky Morgan lit a candle in memory of Paula DeWees



Becky Morgan - February 13, 2025 at 08:42 PM

TF

“ *The Procarione Family purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Paula C. DeWees.*



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**The Procarione Family** - February 13, 2025 at 05:08 PM

DL

“ *My deepest sympathy to all the family. I remember Paula well from the time that I was the regular preacher at Isabel Church from 1978-1982.*

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**Dennis Lindsay** - February 13, 2025 at 03:14 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Paula C. DeWees.*



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February 13, 2025 at 02:06 PM

JE

“ *I'm so sorry for your family's loss. Paula was a joy to work with.*



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**Jenny Emmons** - February 13, 2025 at 01:42 PM

BC

“ When I first started at red oaks, she took right too me. Even on my days off I spent my time with her. She meant a lot to me. Truly was one amazing women! Prayers to her family and friends!



Brittany Cook - February 13, 2025 at 01:34 PM

DP

“ So sorry for your family's loss. Paula was such a sweet lady. Enjoyed working with her at Astoria schools. Thoughts and prayers are with you. Deb and Jim Park

Debra M Park - February 13, 2025 at 10:46 AM

LM

“ Thinking of you Andy..hugs Bob and Loretta Mummert

Loretta Mummert - February 13, 2025 at 10:03 AM

MH

“ Mary Hundt sent a virtual gift in memory of Paula DeWees



Mary Hundt - February 13, 2025 at 09:25 AM

RS

“ Andrew and Josh so sorry to hear about your mom. Thinking of both of you and your families.  
Rochelle Sappington

Rochelle Sappington - February 12, 2025 at 08:06 PM

LT

“ So sorry for your family's loss! She was so nice to me during a stint in the hospital that I had returned back to school and became good friends. Sincere sympathy, Lisa Thompson



Lisa Jill Thompson - February 12, 2025 at 07:17 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Paula C. DeWees.



February 12, 2025 at 06:29 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Paula C. DeWees.

February 12, 2025 at 06:29 PM

MS

“ Sincere condolences to all who mourn Paula's passing. Paula and I was good friends in grade school and high school. I enjoyed our friendship.  
Mary Ellen Bohannon Shryock

MARY ELLEN BOHANNON SHRYOCK - February 12, 2025 at 01:30 PM

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*My deepest sympathy to Paula's family and friends. Paula and I were friends through grade school and high school. We remained friends at SIU at Carbondale where we visited each other quite often. Paula was always such a kind and sweet person. I know she'll be missed by many.*

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**Bonnie S. Tompkins (Lockard)** - February 12, 2025 at 02:46 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Paula C. DeWees.*



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February 12, 2025 at 10:36 AM