



## Gloria Jean Trossbach

February 13, 1942 - August 4, 2026

Gloria Jean Wood Trossbach of Chestertown, MD, passed away peacefully August 4, 2026, at UMSMC in Easton, MD surrounded by her family. She was 84.

Gloria was born in Leonardtown, MD on February 13, 1942, to the late Thomas Leon and Mabel Lurene Thompson Wood. On June 14, 1958, she married her late husband Joseph Eugene "Gene" Trossbach Jr. and moved to Harwood, MD where they started their family. In 1963, she and Gene moved to Price, MD where they built their life on the Eastern Shore.

Once her children were older Gloria joined the workforce starting as a waitress with Great Oak Restaurant and working with Tidewater Publishing, then as a nursing aide with Corsica Hills Nursing Home in Centreville, MD. After discovering her love for healthcare, she spent time as a private duty caregiver before later starting a housecleaning business. As Gene's health declined, she stepped away from her career to become his full-time caregiver. Caring for him was never an obligation but an expression of the deep love and devotion that defined their marriage, and she remained faithfully by his side until his passing in 2017. In her later years, she continued to find joy in life's simple pleasures. She looked forward to attending the Adult Day Medical Services Program, where she enjoyed the friendships and activities that filled her days.

She loved the challenge of a good puzzle or word search and could often be found playing games on her Nook. Above all, her greatest happiness came from spending time with her family, both immediate and extended, and with the many friends who were part of her life. She was immensely proud of her St. Mary's County roots and cherished every opportunity to return home for a visit, no matter the occasion or how brief.

Gloria enjoyed going to the V.F.W. on Saturday nights, Thursday nights at Sudlersville Senior Center, and playing shuffleboard on Sunday Nights. She was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Chestertown, MD.

In addition to her parents and husband, Gloria was predeceased by her daughter Shelley Walls, brothers, Ralph and Maurice Wood, and sisters Lorraine Wood, Lois Wood Leicht, Joan Wood O'Dell, and great-grandson, Abel.

She is survived by two sons, Donnie Trossbach (Pat) of Sudlersville, MD, and Brian Trossbach (Bobbie Jo) of Sudlersville, MD; two daughters Karen Schaubert (Pepsi) of Chestertown, MD, and Patty Trossbach (Jane) of Chestertown, MD; sister, Catherine Wood Melniczak; grandchildren: Daphne (Rich), Chris (Heather), James (Brittany), Angela (Matt), Kristen (Trey), Collin (Heather), Carly (Deon'Tez), and Maddie (Daniel); and great-grandchildren: Christopher, Dylan, Miles, Tanner, Riley, Matthew, Gianni, Kamari, Leilani, Keilani, Brielle, Brooke, Brandon, and Willy.

Family and friends are invited to gather in remembrance and celebration of Gloria's life during a visitation on Tuesday, August 11, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home in Chestertown. A Funeral Mass will immediately follow the visitation, with interment at Crumpton Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family welcomes donations to the charitable organization of your choice as a meaningful way to celebrate a life of kindness and compassion.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 11. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Fellows, Helfenbein, and Newnam Funeral Home  
130 Speer Road  
Chestertown, MD 21620  
<http://www.fhnfuneralhome.com>

## Funeral Mass

AUG 11. 12:00 PM (ET)

Fellows, Helfenbein, and Newnam Funeral Home  
130 Speer Road  
Chestertown, MD 21620  
<http://www.fhnfuneralhome.com>

## Burial

AUG 11 (ET)

Crumpton Cemetery  
Crumpton, MD

# Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Gloria Jean Trossbach*



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**Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home** - August 10 at 07:58 AM

BF

“ *Brenda Fischer lit a candle in memory of Gloria Jean Trossbach*



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**Brenda fischer** - August 16 at 11:30 AM

DG

“ *Donna Gibbons-Neff lit a candle in memory of Gloria Jean Trossbach*



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**Donna Gibbons-Neff** - August 12 at 02:20 PM

DG

*Gloria was a wonderful, caring person. I have many fond memories of her from over the years.*

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**Donna Gibbons-Neff** - August 12 at 02:21 PM

IC

“ *Iris Carter lit a candle in memory of Gloria Jean Trossbach*



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**Iris Carter** - August 11 at 01:04 AM

JP

“ *Joann & Royden Powell lit a candle in memory of Gloria Jean Trossbach*



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**Joann & Royden Powell** - August 09 at 08:27 PM

DM

“ *David Moore purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Gloria Jean Trossbach.*



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**David Moore** - August 09 at 05:53 PM

DM

“ *David Moore planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Gloria Jean Trossbach.*

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**David Moore** - August 09 at 05:53 PM

TK

“ Tammy Kendall lit a candle in memory of  
Gloria Jean Trossbach



Tammy Kendall - August 09 at 12:03 PM

BN

“ Barbara K Nelson lit a candle in memory of  
Gloria Jean Trossbach



Barbara k Nelson - August 08 at 03:35 PM

LH

“ Linda & Russell Hamann lit a candle in  
memory of Gloria Jean Trossbach



Linda & Russell Hamann - August 08 at 01:17 PM

DC

“ Donna Clough lit a candle in memory of  
Gloria Jean Trossbach



Donna Clough - August 08 at 12:10 PM

SQ

“ *Sara & David Quinn lit a candle in memory of Gloria Jean Trossbach*



Sara & David Quinn - August 08 at 07:45 AM

JW

“ *Patty, so sorry for your loss. You've gone through so much. Sending you a big hug and prayers.*

Josie Wersten - August 07 at 08:31 PM

BC

“ *Butch And Sally Coursey lit a candle in memory of Gloria Jean Trossbach*



Butch and Sally Coursey - August 07 at 02:47 PM

ED

“ *My sincere condolences to the family.*



Elaine Shorts Dell - August 07 at 12:02 PM

KW

“ *Sending Prayers to the family.Lit a candle for Gloria*



Kim & Darryl Warner - August 07 at 11:40 AM

MD

“ *Matthew, Roxanne, Dylan And Trevor Dean lit a candle in memory of Gloria Jean Trossbach*



Matthew, Roxanne, Dylan and Trevor Dean - August 07 at 09:54 AM

TS

“ *Todd And Diane Smith sent a virtual gift in memory of Gloria Jean Trossbach*



Todd and Diane Smith - August 07 at 09:52 AM

MC

“ *Thoughts And Prayers To The Entire Family!*

Marion L, Chance - August 07 at 08:03 AM

LF

“ *My sincere condolences to the family.*

Larry Faulkner - August 07 at 06:15 AM

SJ

“ *Suzanne Jackson sent a virtual gift in memory of Gloria Jean Trossbach*



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**Suzanne Jackson** - August 07 at 03:03 AM

AT

“ *Matt Angela Matthew*



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**Angela Trossbach** - August 06 at 07:31 PM

TK

“ *Tom Knox lit a candle in memory of Gloria Jean Trossbach*



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**Tom Knox** - August 06 at 06:25 PM

JS

“ *Jeanette Stubbs lit a candle in memory of Gloria Jean Trossbach*



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**Jeanette Stubbs** - August 06 at 06:05 PM

BE

“ You are forever my number 1 person! I will miss you always. 💕🐱  
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Bella - August 06 at 02:49 PM

LG

“ Lu Giacofci lit a candle in memory of Gloria  
Jean Trossbach



Lu Giacofci - August 06 at 02:28 PM

KR

“ Kristen Trey Tanner & Riley



Kristen,Trey, Tanner & Riley - August 06 at 01:28 PM

KR

“ Kristen Trey Tanner & Riley lit a candle in  
memory of Gloria Jean Trossbach



Kristen Trey Tanner & Riley - August 06 at 01:27 PM

KH

“ *Kim Honeycutt lit a candle in memory of Gloria Jean Trossbach*



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**Kim Honeycutt** - August 06 at 01:06 PM

FL

“ *Karen and family, we are sorry to hear of the passing of your Mom. Sending you love and hugs. Keeping all of you in our thoughts and prayers.*

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**Frankie and Cathy Legg** - August 06 at 01:04 PM

FL

“ *Frankie And Cathy Legg lit a candle in memory of Gloria Jean Trossbach*



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**Frankie and Cathy Legg** - August 06 at 01:01 PM

TR

“ *Tracie(Weaver)Riddell lit a candle in memory of Gloria Jean Trossbach*



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**Tracie(Weaver)Riddell** - August 06 at 01:00 PM

DT

“ *Daphine & Wilbur Thomas lit a candle in memory of Gloria Jean Trossbach*



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**Daphine & Wilbur Thomas** - August 06 at 12:25 PM



“ *Forever Our Angel Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gloria Jean Trossbach.*



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August 06 at 12:23 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Gloria Jean Trossbach.*

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August 06 at 12:23 PM

LM

“ *I will miss her and I will never forget all the memories that I shared with her when I was growing up in Price MD and with Mr. Gene and with all her children so many great memories together*



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**Lori Middleton** - August 06 at 11:58 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gloria Jean Trossbach.



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August 06 at 11:38 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Gloria Jean Trossbach.

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August 06 at 11:38 AM



“ 3 files added to the album Memories



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Daphne - August 06 at 11:22 AM



“ Hopper Family lit a candle in memory of Gloria Jean Trossbach



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Hopper Family - August 06 at 11:15 AM

TF

“ *The Hopper Family lit a candle in memory of Gloria Jean Trossbach*



**The Hopper Family** - August 06 at 11:14 AM

LH

“ *Lyn Higdon lit a candle in memory of Gloria Jean Trossbach*



**Lyn Higdon** - August 06 at 08:45 AM

GP

“ *Gene And Lynda Palmatary sent a virtual gift in memory of Gloria Jean Trossbach*



**Gene and Lynda Palmatary** - August 06 at 08:41 AM

GP

*To the family. Our prayers and blessings are with you at this time during the loss of Ms. Gloria. She was a special lady and enjoyed seeing her at Bingos, dinners, and so many events. She enjoyed chatting and will remember her smile. She will never be forgotten and in our hearts. God bless. Hugs, Lynda and Gene*

**Gene and Lynda Palmatary** - August 06 at 08:44 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Gloria Jean Trossbach.*



August 06 at 08:39 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Gloria Jean Trossbach.

August 06 at 08:39 AM



“ *Brenda Morris-Dadds lit a candle in memory of Gloria Jean Trossbach*



**Brenda Morris-Dadds** - August 06 at 08:34 AM



*So sorry for your loss Patty & Jane. Sending thoughts & prayers to you and the Trossbach family. 🙏🥰❤️*

**Brenda Morris-Dadds** - August 06 at 08:36 AM



“ *Mike Zimmer lit a candle in memory of Gloria Jean Trossbach*



**Mike Zimmer** - August 06 at 07:39 AM

MZ

*Patty, I am so sorry for the loss of your Mom.*

**Mike Zimmer** - August 06 at 07:41 AM

SM

“ *Stacey Morris lit a candle in memory of Gloria Jean Trossbach*



**Stacey Morris** - August 05 at 10:24 PM

LS

“ *Linda Wenck Stair lit a candle in memory of Gloria Jean Trossbach*



**Linda Wenck Stair** - August 05 at 09:52 PM

LS

*Patty and Jane and family so sorry for the loss of this wonderful woman! She will be greatly missed! You all took such great care of her for years she was so blessed to have you all in her life! May god grant her the grace to rest in peace! I know you will cherish all the memories made by her ! She will always have a special place in all who knew her! I loved her zest for life and the enthusiasm she showed!!! Rest in peace Mrs Gloria 🙏😭*

**Linda Wenck Stair** - August 05 at 10:01 PM

SM

“ To Gloria family sorry for loss I to care of  
husband a long God bless the family



Sharon Mcclinton - August 05 at 09:50 PM

SJ

“ Sherry Jones lit a candle in memory of Gloria  
Jean Trossbach



Sherry Jones - August 05 at 09:06 PM

RJ

“ Ronnie And Rhonda Jewell lit a candle in  
memory of Gloria Jean Trossbach



Ronnie and Rhonda Jewell - August 05 at 06:31 PM

LP

“ Sincere condolences to all the Trossbach family.

Lisa Plummer - August 05 at 06:24 PM

EA

“ *Eugenia Auchincloss lit a candle in memory of Gloria Jean Trossbach*



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**Eugenia Auchincloss** - August 05 at 03:30 PM

VD

“ *Vera "Tiny" Dozier lit a candle in memory of Gloria Jean Trossbach*



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**Vera "Tiny" Dozier** - August 05 at 02:40 PM

KT

“ *Patti, Jane and to all of Ms. Glorias family and friends. I am very saddened to hear about Ms. Gloria's passing. She was such a sweet and caring lady. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you. Sincerely , Kim Turner*



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**Kim Turner** - August 05 at 02:32 PM