



Joyce Elaine Bridges

November 20, 1966 - April 29, 2025

Joyce Elaine Bridges (Zerhusen) passed away April 29, 2025 surrounded by the love of her family. She was 58.

Born in Dover, DE on November 20, 1966, she was the daughter of the late Leonard Bernard and Jean Marie Zerhusen.

Joyce graduated from Holy Cross High School in Dover, DE in 1984. She attended Widener University in Wilmington, DE, where she earned a Bachelor of Science in Hotel and Restaurant Management in 1988. At Widener, she also met the love of her life, Jeff Bridges, who she later married in 1989. That same year they opened Old Mill Deli, adjoining the existing Old Mill Market in Easton, MD. Joyce and Jeff were well known in the Easton community for over 30 years, providing breakfast, lunch and a warm hello to many of their neighbors. Over the years they sponsored sports teams, donated church lunches and catered various events in and around Easton. They were members of St. Mark's United Methodist Church where their sons were baptized.

Joyce was preceded in death by her husband, Jeff. She is survived by her sons, Cole (Abbie), Joey and Noah; her grandson, Max; her siblings, Jean (Joe) Zimmerman, Gretchen Pierce, Steve (Donna) Zerhusen, Andy (Teresa) Zerhusen, Eric Zerhusen, Heidi (Lew) Baustert, Laura (Steve) Voshell,

Charles (Christy) Zerhusen and Sharon Keaveney; and a large extended family.

Joyce will be laid to rest next to Jeff in a private service in Oxford, MD.

Cemetery Details

Oxford Cemetery

Oxford Cemetery Rd
Oxford, MD 21654

Tribute Wall

DH

“ To my nephews Cole,Joey, Noah and Aunt Mary Lou. I send my deepest sympathy to all of you. I didn't know your Mom passed or I would have tried to call or send a card. I am in Anchorage Nursing home in Salisbury MD for now. I have been in and out of hospital myself.If you come to Salisbury MD then come visit me. I miss all of you

Debra Henry - May 27, 2025 at 12:09 AM



“ Sending thoughts and prayers to Joyce's (and Jeff's) boys. I have many fond memories of our younger years, including Ocean City, Atlantic City, snow skiing, dinners and getting together at each other's homes. The happiest I saw them was when their boys were born and that love will live on through them. Hugs to the whole family.

JoAnne Schnaitman - May 12, 2025 at 09:11 PM

RH

“ Robert Leroy Hobbs,Jr lit a candle in memory of Joyce Elaine Bridges



robert leroy hobbs,Jr - May 09, 2025 at 10:02 PM

GD

“ Prayers to the family. Joyce and Jeff were always ready to help and promote the love and faith to the community. She always took the time to greet you at the store. May she have the peace and love with Jeff forever more.

Geoff Dulin - May 09, 2025 at 09:37 AM

KR

“ I will forever cherish the times I stopped by Old Mill to pick up the food you and Jeff so lovingly prepared. For the times you generously served the congregation at St Mark with Christmas dinner. For your smile when you attended church and the laughs we shared about your girly stories. Prayers for all of your boys and siblings. You are whole again and with Jeff.

Karen Reed - May 09, 2025 at 08:07 AM

JJ

“ Joe Emerson Jr. lit a candle in memory of Joyce Elaine Bridges



Joe Emerson Jr. - May 07, 2025 at 01:46 PM

ML

“ Mandy Lauder lit a candle in memory of Joyce Elaine Bridges



Mandy Lauder - May 07, 2025 at 07:03 AM

PF

“ *Phil Foster lit a candle in memory of Joyce Elaine Bridges*



Phil Foster - May 07, 2025 at 02:38 AM

MG

“ *I am so sorry to hear this, missing both Jeff, my childhood friend and Joyce. We had many great years at Widener , sending love to the families.*

Maureen Garrett - May 06, 2025 at 01:45 PM

RM

“ *To the family of Joyce : So sorry to hear the news about Joyce. She was a very nice lady and she will be missed. I had many a conversation with her when I went to The Old Mill deli. My thoughts and prayers are with the family during this difficult time.*



Rick Morris

Rick Morris - May 06, 2025 at 12:16 PM

TS

So very sorry for your loss. My prayers are with both of you. She will never be forgotten. From one of her cousins.

TeresaMarie Sparklin - May 09, 2025 at 11:40 AM