



## Mary Eloise DeMaris

December 3, 1926 - November 3, 2018

Mary Eloise DeMaris of Centreville, MD, died on November 3, 2018. She was 91.

Born in Redmon, IL, on December 3, 1926, she was the daughter of the late William Newton Hausser and Ola Jones Hausser. She grew up in Redmon and attended Redmon Elementary and Sidell Elementary before graduating from Sidney High School in the Class of 1944. She continued her education at the Illinois Commercial College in Urbana, IL, with a focus on business.

She married her wartime sweetheart, Sherman DeMaris, on February 2, 1946, and the couple made their home in New Jersey, moving briefly to California before returning to New Jersey. In 1959, the family moved to Chestertown and established a large dairy and cattle farm. They moved to their present residence in Ruthsburg in 1965.

Mrs. DeMaris began her career by working as a secretary for the LaMotte Chemical Company, in Chestertown, MD, and then worked for Dr. Smith in Centreville, MD. She then worked as a bookkeeper for the Queen Anne Co-Op before joining Anne Arundel County, first in the Environmental Health Department and then at the Anne Arundel County Department of Health. She also worked as an office administrator for the Livestock Laboratory in Centreville.

In her free time, Mrs. DeMaris enjoyed sewing, counted cross stitch, cooking, and traveling with her sisters and their spouses. She was a member of the Centreville United Methodist Church, Ruthsburg Homemakers, and the Ruthsburg Community Club.

She is survived by her son, Barry DeMaris, of Centreville, MD; a son-in-law, George Kain, III; grandsons Douglas DeMaris and Sgt. George Kain IV, USMC (Rose); and her great-grandchildren, Ireland, Elise and Aiden. She was preceded in death by her husband, Sherman, DeMaris; a daughter, Linda Kain; and her sisters, Lucille and Marjorie.

A funeral service will be held at 12 p.m. on Friday, November 16 at the Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home, P.A. in Centreville, MD, where friends and family may visit beginning at 11 a.m. A private family interment will follow the service at the Maryland Eastern Shore Veterans Cemetery in Hurlock, MD.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Centreville United Methodist Church, 608 Church Hill Road, Centreville, MD 21617.

# Cemetery Details

## Maryland Eastern Shore Veterans Cemetery

Hurlock, MD

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV **16**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Centreville Location  
408 South Liberty Street  
Centreville, MD 21617  
(410) 758-1151  
info@fhfuneralhome.com

## Service

NOV **16**. 12:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mary Eloise DeMaris*



**Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home** - November 07, 2018 at 09:21 AM



“ *Mary Eloise DeMaris*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Mary Eloise DeMaris*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Mary Eloise DeMaris*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *Mark King And Lisa Douthit lit a candle in memory of Mary Eloise DeMaris*



**Mark King and Lisa Douthit** - November 21, 2018 at 07:49 PM

MD

*Very sorry Barry. We just found out.*

**Mark King and Lisa Douthit** - November 21, 2018 at 06:49 PM

BC

“ *Eloise was one of my first friends when I arrived in Ruthsburg as a newly wed in 1992. I have fond memories of our trips and times together with the Ruthsburg Women Club. They adopted me and it was a wonderful time. Later on we shared our love for flowers. Eloise was always warm and loving. Her smile will always be in my memories of her. Barry, our condolences to you and your family.*  
*Blanca Callahan*

**Blanca Callahan** - November 15, 2018 at 06:03 PM

DD

“ *Doris & Howard Donovan lit a candle in memory of Mary Eloise DeMaris*



**Doris & Howard Donovan** - November 09, 2018 at 08:28 AM

DO

*I worked with her at Dr. Smith's office she was a great person and friend*

**Doris** - November 09, 2018 at 09:31 AM

TH

“ *Eloise was the kindest, soft spoken woman I have ever known and it was my honor to know her and call her a friend. She and Sherman were close and dear friends to my parents for as long as I can remember. So many fond memories, she will be missed not only by me but the many lives she has touched over a meaningful lifetime.*

**Tom Haaf** - November 08, 2018 at 05:11 PM

GI

“ Another member of America's Greatest Generation has passed from us. During her one-month short of 92 years she experienced the Great Depression, World War 2, the Cold War, and so much more. Mary Eloise Hausser DeMarris was a wonderful mother-in-law. I will miss her very much.

*She met her future husband, Sherman DeMaris, in 1942 at a USO dance for airmen at nearby Chanute Field. They fell in love, corresponded throughout the war while Sherman served in the China-Burma-India Campaign, and were married in Champaign, Illinois on February 2, 1946 shortly after Sherman's return from overseas and return to civilian life.*

*Eloise endeared herself to me the first time I met her. I traveled to Ruthsburg MD with my fiance, Linda, so she could introduce me to her parents. I was exhausted from a long drive, but offered to help put the salad bowl on the dining room table. I accidentally upended the salad bowl, dressing and all, on Eloise's best tablecloth. Looking around for a rock to crawl under, I awaited my doom. Cheerfully, Eloise said something to the effect of don't worry, this happens all the time, changed the tablecloth, and went on as if nothing had happened. We've been good friends ever since.*

*I will truly miss her gracious spirit, great cooking, and example of fine family values.*

*/s/ George Hay Kain III*

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**George Hay Kain III** - November 06, 2018 at 03:41 PM

MK

“ Barry, so sorry for your loss, our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.

*Butch and Margaret Kaufman*

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**margaret kaufman** - November 06, 2018 at 02:09 PM

GP

“ Gene And Lynda Palmatary sent a virtual gift in memory of Mary Eloise DeMaris



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**Gene and Lynda Palmatary** - November 06, 2018 at 10:43 AM

GP

*What a wonderful lady that has gone to heaven to be with the Lord. She loved her family and her church. Blessings and many prayers to her family at this time. She will always be loved and remembered. So blessed we knew her. Gene and Lynda Palmatary*

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**Gene and Lynda Palmatary** - November 06, 2018 at 09:44 AM

ND

*We have been blessed to have known Eloise and Sherman. They were fine residents of Ruthsburg and our community. I loved her humor when she told a joke. I know Sherman was waiting for her with open arms. Blessings to all*

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**Norma jean and Donald Dean** - November 09, 2018 at 06:40 PM

CW

“ Centreville Methodist Women sent a virtual gift in memory of Mary Eloise DeMaris



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**Centreville Methodist Women** - November 06, 2018 at 09:41 AM

CW

*Ms. Eloise was a hard worker in our church and loved to be around the women in the kitchen. She was a great lady and we have surely missed her. Prayers to her family at this time. God Bless, Centreville Methodist Women*

**Centreville Methodist Women** - November 06, 2018 at 10:42 AM

JE

“ *Jim And Mary Ann Edwards lit a candle in memory of Mary Eloise DeMaris*



**Jim and Mary Ann Edwards** - November 06, 2018 at 09:38 AM

JC

“ *June Clark lit a candle in memory of Mary Eloise DeMaris*



**june Clark** - November 05, 2018 at 06:20 PM

JC

*Eloise was a lovely lady inside and outside. Enjoyed working with her when we made all those pots of soup for the Bazaar for the Centreville Methodist Church.*

**June Clark** - November 06, 2018 at 10:27 AM