



Pauline Spence

October 4, 1955 - May 1, 2024

Pauline DeLong Spence, cherished wife, beloved mother, grandmother, sister, aunt, and friend, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, May 1, 2024, in Charleston, WV, surrounded by her family. Pauline, 68, leaves behind a legacy of love, kindness, and unwavering strength that touched the lives of all who had the privilege of knowing her.

Born on October 4, 1955, in Lovely, KY, Pauline embodied the essence of selflessness; always placing the needs of her loved ones above her own. Pauline's dedication to her family knew no bounds. Despite facing countless challenges, she never wavered in her commitment to providing love, comfort, and stability to those she held dear. Her selflessness was truly remarkable, as she always prioritized the well-being of her family above all else. Even as her own health began to decline and she endured nearly a decade of blindness, Pauline remained steadfast in her devotion to her loved ones. She faced each day with grace and courage, never once complaining or allowing her own struggles to overshadow her boundless love for her family.

Pauline's grandchildren held a special place in her heart, and she longed to do more for them, despite her own limitations. Her love for them knew no bounds, and she cherished every moment spent with them, instilling in them the same values of compassion, resilience, and selflessness that defined her own life. She loved being a "Mimi" and adored each of the six grandchildren

immensely.

Pauline was a member of the Caney Church of Christ and was preceded in death by her parents, Paul and Gladys Fields DeLong.

She is survived by her loving husband of 48 years, Clyde Spence, her devoted children and their spouses, Clyde Jr. (Chris Morris) of Long Branch, NJ and Ronnie Darrell (Bridget) of Prestonsburg, KY, and her six adoring grandchildren, Nicholas, Noah, and Isabella Spence of South Charleston, WV, and Kate Moon, Cassidy, and Kameron Spence of Prestonsburg, KY. Pauline is also survived by her siblings, Richard P. (Dotty) DeLong of Westport, IN, Wilda (John) Harrison of Hatfield, KY, Linda (Bruce) Justice of Turkey Creek, KY, and Tony DeLong, also of Turkey Creek, as well as a host of nieces, nephews, and other extended family who will forever hold her memory dear.

Final arrangements include a public visitation on Sunday, May 5, 2024 from 6-9pm at Chafin Funeral Home in Delbarton, WV, with a funeral on Monday, May 6 at noon, also at the funeral home. She will be laid to rest at Mountain View Memory Gardens in Maher, WV, with beloved family and friends serving as pallbearers.

Pauline Spence will be deeply missed, but never forgotten. May she rest in eternal peace, surrounded by the love and warmth she brought to the world.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 5. 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Chafin Funeral Home
215 Riverside Drive
Delbarton, WV 25670
(304) 475-2071
chafinh@frontier.com
<https://www.chafinfuneralhome.com/>

Service

MAY 6. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

JD

“ So sorry to hear of Paulines passing. She was a wonderful person inside and out. We will sadly miss her. Sending prayers for comfort. Love you all.

Jeanette DeLong - May 06, 2024 at 09:58 AM

AO

“ Pauline was a very special person and will be missed by all who knew and loved her; I cannot be there because of my illness but my love and prayers will be there for the family.

Allene Ooten - May 05, 2024 at 09:13 PM

SD

“ Pauline and I shared the same birthday, Oct 4th. Ten four my friend! Rest in peace. Steve D.

STEVEN DOTSON - May 04, 2024 at 12:09 PM

SD

“ Steven and Stephanie Dotson purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Pauline Spence.



Steven and Stephanie Dotson - May 04, 2024 at 12:00 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Pauline Spence.*



May 04, 2024 at 10:05 AM



“ *Emma G Runyon lit a candle in memory of Pauline Spence*



Emma G Runyon - May 04, 2024 at 07:43 AM



“ *The Gilkerson Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Pauline Spence.*

The Gilkerson Family - May 04, 2024 at 12:15 AM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Pauline Spence.*



May 04, 2024 at 12:15 AM

TF

“ The Rash Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Pauline Spence.

The Rash Family - May 03, 2024 at 10:33 PM



“ Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet was purchased for the family of Pauline Spence.



May 03, 2024 at 10:33 PM

SL

“ Sue Lught lit a candle in memory of Pauline Spence



Sue Lught - May 03, 2024 at 07:07 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Pauline Spence.



May 03, 2024 at 04:58 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Pauline Spence.



May 03, 2024 at 04:48 PM



“ Clyde , Ronnie, and Big Clyde I'm so sorry for your loss. You're mom (wife) was wonderful and I always thought the world of her. I can pray for you all and I know saying I'm sorry doesn't help but I am. I'm sure you have wonderful memories but she will be missed. Praying for you all and your families.

Jennifer Starr-Workman - May 03, 2024 at 04:20 PM



“ Connie S. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Pauline Spence.

Connie S. - May 03, 2024 at 02:16 PM



“ Connie S. purchased the Lavender Reflections S pray for the family of Pauline Spence.



Connie S. - May 03, 2024 at 02:16 PM



“ Love, Janey & Bruce Borish purchased the Love's Journey for the family of Pauline Spence.



Love, Janey & Bruce Borish - May 03, 2024 at 02:13 PM



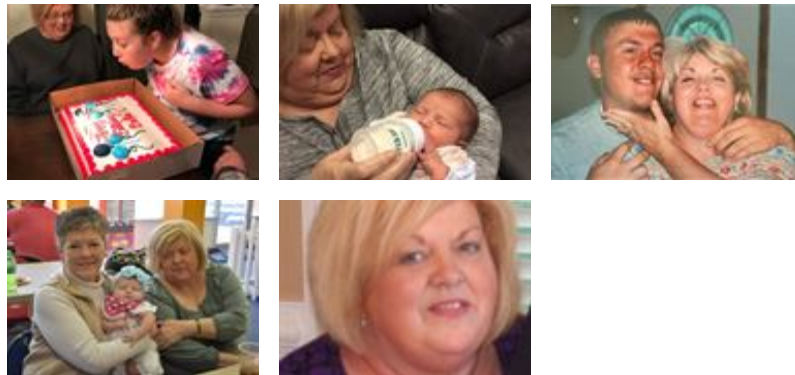
“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Pauline Spence.



May 03, 2024 at 12:26 PM



“ 71 files added to the album Life Tributes



Chafin Funeral Home - May 03, 2024 at 11:33 AM

JW

I met Pauline in 2nd grade at Turkey Creek Grade School. We were classmates until 6th grade, then again when we started as freshmen at Belfry High School. Not only were we classmates but we were Bandmates, sharing many hours of practice, travel, parades & all things involving Belfry Marching Band. In later years, Pauline and I found ourselves working together at WVDHHR, Mingo Co office. I always enjoyed her company and feel blessed to call her friend. I am so very sorry to see this post. I send my deepest condolences to all her family and friends. Rest in peace my friend.

Jan Webb - May 04, 2024 at 07:23 PM