



## Delaphene A. Davis

October 24, 1919 - April 24, 2011

Delaphene A. Davis, 91, of 20177 Route 68, Clarion, died Sunday, April 24, 2011, at the Clarion Hospital.

Born October 24, 1919, in Cherry Run, she was the daughter of Edward E. and Parma Taylor Courson.

Mrs. Davis graduated from the Sligo High School in 1937.

She was married on December 6, 1939 to Dean E. Davis, who preceded her in death on July 25, 1985.

Mrs. Davis retired from Owen-Illinois Glass Plant in 1978.

She was a member of the Monroe Chapel United Methodist Church.

Mrs. Davis was also a 50 year member of the Clarion Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star.

She enjoyed quilting, crocheting, crossword puzzles, and reading. So also enjoyed her family, gardening, and yard work.

Surviving is her daughter, Bonita Lee Davis of Alexandria, VA; a special niece, Cheryl Courson of Clarion; and many other nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by three brothers, Milton, George, and Louis Courson.

Family will receive friends from 6 to 9 p.m. on Tuesday, April 26, 2011, at the Robert V. Burns Funeral Home, 638 Wood Street, Clarion.

An Eastern Star service will be held at 6:45 p.m. on Tuesday, April 26, 2011, in the funeral home by the Clarion Chapter.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, April 27, 2011, in the

funeral home with Pastor Kate Reitz officiating.

Interment will be held in the Cedarview Memorial Park in Strattanville.

Memorials and donations can be made to the Clarion Forest VNA, 305 Main Street, PO Box 668, Knox, PA 16232; or the American Diabetes Association, 300 Penn Center Blvd, Suite 700, Pittsburgh PA 15235.

# Tribute Wall

BJ

“ My Mom use to work with Del @ the glass plant. I worked there too for 5 years. And worked with your Mother. Your Mom was a very lovely woman. So sorry for your loss. Just heard that she passed today when I read it in the Clarion News.

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**Barbara Jones** - April 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM

AM

“ Growing up I remember spending every summer with Aunt Cheryl and Aunt Del. I would wake up in the morning and Aunt Del and I would just sit in the living room watching the Golden Girls. When I got hungry she would make me eggs and toast and we would sit at the dining room table and just talk until Aunt Cheryl got up. I always loved spending time with her and watching her do her crossword puzzles while I played with Cuddy or Kodak. I remember me always racing to get the door when her meals on wheels was delivered. She always told me I could have whatever i wanted off of her tray. She would always make mee steak for dinner because she knew I loved it. Whenever I would stay with her over the summer, everybody would call me her Nurse Ratchet. I was willing to do anything for my Aunt Del. My childhood was one that I will always remember with the memories i shared with Aunt Del and Aunt Cheryl. There will always be a piece of me missing because she is gone. She is definately one of a kind. The sweetest most gentle hearted person that has influenced my life tremendously. Words cannot explain the depth of my loss. I love you Aunt Del Always and Forever.

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**Alexandria Mason** - April 27, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KC

“ Some of the things I remember about my Aunt Del, was her canning ability. She made delicious stewed tomatoes and awesome pickles. I also remember the many nights my whole family spent time at her house. How she would laugh at the boys playing, Alex doing cartwheels in the living room. The boys going up to her telling her they were hungry, and of course she would get them something to eat. Her love for her animals and how she prepared them special dinners that were better than half of mine. I also remember Aunt Del sitting at her dining room window watching the traffic go by. One of the things that made us all jealous is how Aunt Del could sit outside all night in the middle of summer while we were all getting bitten alive, the bugs would leave her alone. Another memory I have is the way Cheryl and Aunt Del would nitpick at each other just like a mother and daughter. When I would hug her I would always tease her about how short she was and how age made her shorter each year. But the most important thing I remember about her is the love she had for not only her family but for anyone who came in contact with her. She has touched so many lives and I am honored to have had her in my life for as many years that I did. She is truly my Aunt Del. I will miss her with all my heart and in there she will always be.  
Love her neice,  
Kimberly

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**Kimberly Courson** - April 27, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KC

“ I want to say that some of the memories I have of Aunt Del is how she spoiled her animals like they were her kids, when Kodak needed to go out, she would jump right up and let him out, he would lay at her feet and protect her or if Aunt Cheryl was at work he would lay at the top of the stairs and wait for the door to open. Aunt Del would also come to my birthday parties when I was young and always gave me a card with a five dollar bill in it. Aunt Cheryl, I am sorry that I could not be there with you, but please be assured that I was there in spirit and I know that Aunt Del loved you like a daughter and I only wish that my children could of known Aunt Del and felt her love like I did.

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**Kaleigh Courson** - April 27, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KG

“ Cheryl, I just wanted to pass along my deepest sympathies to you and to let you know that Aunt Del was a very special person to alot of people. She was very generous and kind to me and whenever I would stop by to visit, she would always greet me with a hug and a kiss. She considered you to be like her daughter, instead of her niece, you took such good care of her and gave of yourself in so many ways. I feel blessed that I had the opportunity to know her on the level that I did and it was always nice to sit and talk to her about almost anything, (Steelers, Jeopardy, Nascar, QVC, etc...). I remember the annual 4th of July picnic was always hosted by Aunt Del & the fireworks that we set off in the backyard. I will miss seeing her on my visits back to PA and I hope that you can find peace and comfort in knowing that she loved you like her daughter and was very grateful to you for all you had done for her in her life. Much love to you and those that grieve her passing.

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**Kim Girts** - April 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ Aunt Cheryl & Bonnie, My deepest sympathy. Aunt Del was such a sweet lady & I am so thankful I was able to spend some time with her when I was home. I hope the memory of her smiling face warms your heart during this difficult time.

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**Bria Banner** - April 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ My sympathy to you Bonnie and Cheryl. Cherishing all the wonderful memories of a very dear lady and family member. Aunt Del's open arms and generosity to all can never be duplicated. Give my Dad a hug for me Aunt Del and tell him I miss him every day! God circle you with his light until we meet again.

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**Debbie Courson** - April 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ Our deepest sympathies. All our memories of Aunt Del are happy ones. She will be greatly missed. Seth, Ginger, Quinn & Ella

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**Seth & Ginger Banner** - April 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JD

“ Prayers and thoughts with your family. We enjoyed visiting with Delaphene when bringing care packages from our church. Everyone at church really missed Del when she was unable to attend anymore.

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**Julie Dailey** - April 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM