



## Darlene F. Mahaley

September 10, 1946 - January 11, 2020

Darlene F. Mahaley, 73, formally of Struthers, Ohio, died Saturday, January 11, 2020.

Ms. Mahaley was born September 10, 1946, in Youngstown, a daughter of the late Fred and Marian Berg.

She is survived by her daughter, Shannon Mahaley of Columbus, Ohio; Sister Carole (Candy) Reesh of Evanston, Ill.; Special Godson Douglas Reesh and his wife Jeanette of Arizona; Josef Venerose of Chicago, Ill; Best Friend Joann Antonini of Boardman; and several nieces and nephews.

Besides her parents, she is preceded in death by her brother, Robert Berg.

Darlene loved the Cleveland Browns, Family Feud, the color purple and butterflies, but mostly her dogs Tess, Pudge, Brandy and Peaches.

She had a long career working at North Side Hospital where she enjoyed spending time with her friends and colleagues.

Darlene had a large personality, great sense of humor, and a larger than life laugh. She loved her family and friends strong, and she will be missed deeply by all of them.

Arrangements are entrusted to Day Funeral Service. A Celebration of Life will be held at a future date. Online condolences may be expressed at [DayFuneralService.com](http://DayFuneralService.com).

# Tribute Wall

SM

“ Deena was my mom. I miss her so incredibly bad. I miss taking her to see Rod Stewart, listening to music, karaoke, browns football and her amazing personality. These past few years has been heartbreaking because she lived each day in pain. She missed her Father and her Mother very much. She always gave her dogs the best life...Pudge was her absolute favorite and she loved Tess, Brandy, Peaches and Ginger. My Mom loved ME. She worked very hard to give me the best life! Mom, I thank you. It's been a rough few weeks, not the easiest of years and I have wanted to call you a handful of times since you have been gone. My heart breaks knowing I cannot and you are gone and I am all alone....I am scared. You were always my rock. You were the one person that was always there for me...you did it all....Mommy, I hope you are at peace and have no more pain. I miss you, I miss you, I miss you! I LOVE YOU A WHOLE HEART AND A HALF!!! 😭



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shannon Mahaley - January 30, 2020 at 10:38 PM

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“ My sister had medical issues every day of her 73 years. Deena was born with congenital bilateral hip displacement and eye muscle weaknesses. Both conditions required multiple surgeries even in adulthood. She suffered body casts as a baby, eye patches as a young child and we were told she'd never walk and never ride a bike ...Darlene did both! ....of course she did ride her bike smack into the side of the garage. She had spunk! She worked as a nurse aide and when there were job lay offs the only job available was buffing floors so she did it. But when she almost guided the machine through the lobby glass door, it was acknowledged she was better working with patients. Deena had an alter ego named Janice who was the one who did what she shouldn't as a child and said whatever she wanted as an adult. As a child and as an adult she'd say, "Janice did it". We loved Deena...even as Janice. She is finally pain free.

*I will miss you little sister. Rest in peace*

*I love you*

*Candy*

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**Carole (Candy) Berg Reesh** - January 22, 2020 at 09:42 AM

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**Shannon Lynne** - January 25, 2020 at 06:33 PM

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*I love these memories!*

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**Shannon Lynne** - January 25, 2020 at 06:33 PM

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“ Deena is a Polio survivor. I remember the stainless steel and leather braces and crutches clacking away as she waddled along as if no problem. I remember her Dad carrying her to where ever she needed to go. I remember all her hard work to rehab and finally leaving the braces for crutches only. We played in her basement lots. My memories were of comic books by the stack and an old accordion that we both thought we mastered. One day we messed with a new Tom Thumb typewriter that her Mom had for sale in the flower shop. Something happened and we snuck it back on the shelf. Aunt Marion discovered the damage while I was still there and wow. We both were sure there would be no tomorrow. After H.S. graduation she went to work and one of my last memories was her new Dodge Challenger.(Blue) and learning where the hot spots were in town. I went to Iowa in '66 and we lost touch. My loss. I remember her smile and laugh, her temper and loud LOUD voice when angered. Rest in peace and Gods' speed. David Runge

David Runge - January 19, 2020 at 04:44 PM

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“ Our friend was a ray of light to everyone she worked with and the patients that she came into contact with ❤️ Loved that laugh 😊❤️



karen tanner - January 19, 2020 at 02:15 PM

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“ Mrs. Lynn Landry lit a candle in memory of Darlene F. Mahaley



Mrs. Lynn Landry - January 18, 2020 at 09:42 AM



*Deanna was a Beautiful and funny Lady who I enjoyed hearing her laugh all the time...so Dad to hear she's gone, but never will be forgotten*

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**Lynn VanCobb- Landry** - January 18, 2020 at 09:50 AM