



Donna L. (Cook) Maxwell

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Donna L. (Cook) Maxwell, 53, of DeWitt, passed away August 25, 2021 at Upstate University Hospital. She was born in Oswego, NY. She graduated from Oswego High School then attended Bryant & Stratton Business School. Donna was employed with Lockheed Martin in Liverpool for the past 31 years. She enjoyed kayaking, hiking, photography, reading and traveling.

She is predeceased by her father, Edward W. Cook, Sr. Donna is survived by her loving husband, William H. Maxwell; her son, Joshua L. Wheeler; her daughter, Katelyn M. Wheeler; her mother, Linda J. (VonHoltz) Cook; siblings, Lisa McArdell, Denise L. Doyle (Brian), Edward W. Cook, Jr. (Svea) and Cynthia A. Cook; several nieces and nephews, and her two fur babies, Maddie and Henry (The Standard Poodles).

Visitation will be held on Monday, August 30, 2021 from 2 – 4 pm, followed by a celebration of Donna's life at 4:30 pm at the THOMAS J. PIRRO JR. FUNERAL HOME, 3401 Vickery Rd. (corner of Buckley Rd.) North Syracuse, NY.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to The Saint Agatha Foundation c/o National Philanthropic Trust, 165 Township Line Rd., Suite 1200 Jenkintown, PA 19046. This charity provides emotional and financial support to women battling Breast Cancer.




Events

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Visitation


 **Monday**, August 30, 2021


 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM ET

 **Thomas J. Pirro Jr. Funeral Home**
3401 Vickery Rd, Syracuse NY 13212



Funeral Service

 **Monday**, August 30, 2021

 4:30 PM ET

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Tribute Wall

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Thomas J. Pirro Jr. Funeral Home shared a **Tribute Video**.



August 30 at 6:37 AM



Lisa Gimpel posted:

I am so sad to hear of Donna's passing. She was such a beautiful person, inside and out. I've had the pleasure of working with Donna at Lockheed Martin and I am forever grateful for her positive and helpful attitude, especially for her willingness to step in and help with my workload when I was out on an unexpected extended leave several years ago. She did so without complaint or judgement. She was such a huge contributor to our organization and she will truly be missed. God Bless you, Donna. May you Rest in Peace.

August 31 at 5:22 PM



Tony Lobis posted:

My deepest sympathies to Donna's family..She was a great person to work with at Lockheed Martin..Speaking on the behalf of Electro Rent, we will sadly miss her..God Speed Donna..Tony Lobis

August 30 at 1:59 PM



Kevin Pugh posted:

Bill,We are so sorry for your loss.Kevin and MaryCatherine Pugh

August 30 at 10:42 AM



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JC

Jackie Cuny posted:

Donna was an example and inspiration to many of us at work and personally. She was the best at her job and everyone knew her because she successfully carried a huge workload. Everyone who has worked in LM Sourcing has learned from Donna, whether it was using the P2P system or navigating an issue. Donna also taught all of us by example how to be a caring, compassionate, and supportive human being- something that most of us strive to do half as well as she did. Donna was an avid lunchtime walker and has influenced many of us in a positive way with our health also. It was always fun to get some fresh air and movement while catching up on the day's news. She loved her kids so much and they were clearly her greatest joy in life. Bill brought her so much happiness and joy. It was always fun to hear her latest diet tips and swap recipes. Most of her thoughts when we talked were about all of the things she did to take care of everyone and she loved it. She was also a great listener and friend who will be truly missed by many.

August 30 at 9:44 AM

KC

Kelly Clobridge posted:

My heart goes out to Donna's family. I'm truly sorry for your loss. I was blessed to have met and worked with Donna over the years. I will miss our light-hearted conversations and talking about our children. I will also miss her "Hi there!" and "Thank you!", but most of all I will miss Donna's beautiful soul as she was the most kind-hearted, pleasant, positive, and helpful person. I will never forget her and may her smiles shine brightly in your hearts! Rest in Peace my Friend!

August 30 at 8:54 AM

TC

Theresa Costello posted:

Donna was a joy to know and work with -- beautiful personality, beautiful smile, beautiful soul.... She was always positive, always smiling, and always willing to help in any way. My heart aches for her family and friends. Keep her smile in your hearts...I know I will. Rest in Peace Donna.

August 30 at 6:35 AM



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NM

Nicole Malbone posted:

I have worked with Donna over the years as our job paths crossed. Donna was always willing to help and find the answers when they were needed. I loved working with her but what I will miss most is Donna, my friend. The friend that I laughed with about our craziness at work. The friend that always lit up when we talked about our families. Donna was truly a shining light when the world was dim. I will miss our candid conversations and her guidance. Rest peacefully my friend. Sending prayers and condolences to your family.

August 30 at 6:16 AM

LM

Lindsay Martin posted:

Donna was a ray of sunshine at work. I always looked forward to when we could chat on the phone or send a message over Skype just to check on each other or to say hi. She was a constant confidant since starting at Lockheed Martin and instantly became a very dear friend. I will never forget when she took the time out of her busy day to stop down to the Engineering Stockroom to meet me in person. Her smile was beaming and was upbeat as always. I'll also cherish when my Dad and I ran into her at Hafner's when she was looking for flowers. Just so kind and pleasant as my Dad had worked with her in the past as well. Just Tuesday we were talking on the phone talking about her trip to Boston with the family and what a great time everyone had. We were cracking jokes as we always did ... my heart hurts and bleeds with the entire family. She loved you all so dearly and spoke of you often. Thank you for sharing such a wonderful person to us who worked with her at Lockheed Martin. She made the tough work days seem easy.

August 30 at 5:32 AM

SW

Sondra Wyatt posted:

It has been a pleasure to work with Donna over the years. She brought her own style and grace everyday, turning a job into a pleasant experience. Her many friends here at TEVET send prayers of comfort to her family.

August 30 at 4:34 AM

SH

Sally Hirsh posted:

"Wherever a beautiful soul has been there is a trail of beautiful memories" (Author unknown). May her memories provide the family comfort as they heal from her loss. Donna was a good friend and she will be missed. My deepest sympathies to her family at this time. Sally

August 30 at 4:27 AM



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TB

Tom Bower lit a candle in honor of Donna.

It has been a pleasure working with Donna over the years at Lockheed Martin. She will be truly missed. Just about every time I would call her about work, the conversation would last longer when we would talk about everything and anything. May she rest in peace.

August 30 at 3:56 AM



BS

Barry Schechner sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Maxwell family.

August 30 at 2:13 AM



SS

Suzanne Saccomanno posted:

Donna had such a positive attitude and pleasant disposition. She was a huge asset to our team at LM. She was so experienced, knowledgeable, and always willing to help in any capacity. Always friendly; even though I had never met her in person, I could "hear" her smile over the phone. Whenever I reached out to her, she made me feel like she was happy to hear from me. In this business where we are moving 1,000 miles a minute, Donna took time to develop personal relationships. We had a really great conversation two weeks ago that I cherish. Donna will be greatly missed. Deepest condolences to Donna's family.

August 30 at 2:04 AM

SD

Sharon Davis posted:

My prayers and condolences are with Donna's family. Donna and I worked together at Lockheed for many years and were good friends. Donna was so friendly, helpful and caring to everyone she came in contact with. She will be missed.

August 29 at 3:44 PM



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Christine Lunette Vonholtz posted:

I AM SO SADDEN TO SEE THE LOSS OF DONNA, WE GO BACK , OH MY TO MANY YEARS REMEMBER. I WAS A FICTURE IN THE COOK`S HOUSEHOLD , BEING BEST FRIENDS WITH DONNA`S SISTER LISA... I WAS THREW ALOT WITH THE FAMILY MANY GOOD AND SAW THE FAMILY GROW. DONNA WAS A WONDERFUL SISTER, DAUGHTER TO ALL. MAY YOU REST IN PEACE MY FRIEND AND MAY ALL THE ANGELS KEEP YOU WARM AND SAFE..... LOVE YOU DEAR FREIND CHRISTINE

August 29 at 2:27 PM



Deb Ackerman posted:

Way too soon. I will miss Donna very much. She was a great person to work with and a great person to have a conversation with. She would help out in anyway she could. She was also very compassionate and a good listener. She loved, LOVED, her family. And was very proud of her children. There are times in ones life that you get the wind knocked out of you when you hear some sad news. News of Donna's passing was one for me. She was my friend. Gone way too soon.

August 29 at 2:23 PM



Debra Harfmann posted:

I have know Donna for many years as a coworker and friend. She was so willing to help any of her coworkers always with so much kindness and patience. I`m blessed to have know her and will miss her dearly. My heart goes out to Bill her children and family . Rest in peace my lovely friend.

August 29 at 1:55 PM



Chris & Tom Serley sent a Country Basket Blooms to the Maxwell family.



August 28 at 3:33 PM



Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Maxwell family.



August 28 at 9:04 AM



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Albert Arruda posted:

I've known Donna for many years at Lockheed Martin. I'm so glad I had the opportunity to have her as part of my staff. It gave me the opportunity to get closer to her and realize how special a teammate and person she was. She helped our company, team and me more than I could ever express. Her positive attitude was infectious. We will miss her dearly! Taken from us all way to early. God bless you Donna.

August 28 at 7:51 AM



Anonymous sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Maxwell family.



August 28 at 7:51 AM



Anonymous sent a Full Of Love Bouquet to the Maxwell family.



August 28 at 7:14 AM



Anonymous sent an Enchanted Cottage to the Maxwell family.



August 28 at 6:04 AM



Jean Desantis posted:

I can't even begin to believe that this is true. Donna was a very special person and I was honored to have known her. We worked together for years and after I retired, I actually ran into her on Siesta Key Beach. That memory comes up every year on Facebook and puts a smile on my face. Condolences and prayers to her family and also her work family.

August 28 at 4:20 AM



Ellen Toll August 28 at 6:05 AM

I am so heartbroken to hear this. Donna was a very special work friend. I always enjoyed our conversations. My heart goes out to her family—both 2 and 4-legged.



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Anonymous sent an Enchanted Cottage to the Maxwell family.



August 28 at 3:51 AM



David Duprey posted:

It is hard to believe such a beautiful person has left this world. The void Donna leaves affects so many. Donna and I worked together as coworkers for along time. Bright caring dependable compassionate and empathy. Qualities just a few. I always enjoyed talking and sharing about our families. Donna helped so many in so many ways always giving of herself. I will be only one of many who will miss her deeply. Thanks Donna many thanks and regret if didn't say it enough

August 28 at 2:54 AM



Lori Grace lit a candle in honor of Donna.

I worked with Donna at Lockheed in the Owego, NY plant. She was always so helpful even when it wasn't her area of responsibility. Her can do, positive attitude at all times was contagious. I recently retired and she was so happy for me and talking about that being her some day. Such a sad turn of events. My condolences to her husband, children, family and friends. This world lost a bright ray of sunshine.



August 27 at 6:19 PM



Jerry Hill & Boyd Beckwith sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Maxwell family.



August 27 at 6:09 PM



Desirae Monsees posted:

Donna was an amazing coworker and friend! When I worked at Lockheed in Syracuse she helped me navigate through everything. I will miss her dearly! Much love to Bill, Josh and Katelyn; Donna was an incredible person!

August 27 at 3:11 PM



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Fran & Jackie Volpe sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Maxwell family.



August 27 at 1:36 PM



Dan, Michelle, Russ & Our Families sent a Lavender Reflections Spray to the Maxwell family.



August 27 at 1:20 PM



Stacy Penoyer posted:

Donna was the "go to person" for our department at Lockheed Martin. She trained countless people and was very patient with everyone. She was a wealth of knowledge and always had a smile on her face. I'll always remember her laugh and having good times at the SU football games. She would always listen if I had an issue and vice versa. I miss her already. ❤️ Stacy Penoyer, friend and co-worker

August 27 at 1:03 PM



Sue And Mike Normandin August 27 at 2:38 PM

Donna was a delight to know and we will all miss her smile and natural sweetness! Bill was the love of her life and she of his, they were beautiful together and have made many memories together. Sure Bill and her children will miss her terribly. We all will. Donna, Rest in Peace!



Mike Von Holtz sent a virtual gift in honor of Donna.

Mike Von Holtz & Andrea Marek Eternal rest grant unto them , O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

August 27 at 12:40 PM



Anonymous sent a Tender Tribute to the Maxwell family.



August 27 at 11:14 AM



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Anonymous sent an Enchanted Cottage to the Maxwell family.

August 27 at 10:46 AM



Aunt Donna, The Bakers And Phill/Dee sent a Your Light Shines to the Maxwell family.

August 27 at 10:20 AM



Anonymous sent a Serene Reflections Bouquet to the Maxwell family.

August 27 at 10:00 AM



Anonymous sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Maxwell family.

August 27 at 9:37 AM



Anonymous sent a Country Basket Blooms to the Maxwell family.

August 27 at 9:37 AM



Anonymous sent a Fairest of All to the Maxwell family.

August 27 at 9:31 AM





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CB

Connie Busino posted:

My prayers go out to Donna and her family during this most difficult time. This news was such a heartbreaking one to take. She was my long-distance co-worker and to hear this news, just broke me. We talked on Tuesday and then Wednesday she was gone. My heart breaks for her family and other co-workers around her. RIP my lovely friend Donna!!

August 27 at 9:26 AM

CH

Cara Holmes posted:

Donna had such a spark for life and she will be so missed. She loved her children more than anything and the happiness Bill brought to her life was just amazing. She was always willing to help a friend in need and always there to listen and advise. Thoughts and love to all her family and friends.

August 27 at 9:11 AM



Anonymous sent a Full Of Love Bouquet to the Maxwell family.



August 27 at 9:07 AM

DA

Danielle posted:

Donna was such a fun, sweet, generous and genuine person to be around. My heart breaks for her family but we are all so lucky to have known such an incredible woman like her. She has and always will have a special place in my heart. Along with Bill ❤️

August 27 at 9:04 AM

RS

Roland Schulz posted:

What a nice person and great co-worker you were Donna. You will be greatly missed. God bless you.

August 27 at 8:45 AM



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Andrea & Scott Shova posted:

The world was a better place because of Donna Maxwell. Such a kind and sweet woman. Scott and I will miss our get togethers often. But there will always be a special place in our hearts for you Donna.

August 27 at 8:31 AM



Caryle Zipprich posted:

I simply cannot say enough about this lovely lovely woman! Such a kind, generous, patient and loving human. Her passing is a tremendous loss and heartbreaking. We are all better for having known her and the incredible example she set as both a human and a professional. RIP my lovely friend Donna.

August 27 at 8:26 AM



Anonymous sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Maxwell family.



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Anonymous sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Maxwell family.



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Media

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Patty Mahoney September 6 at 3:45 PM

I don't remember Donna as an adult but I grew up right down the street from her and was over there house often. She grew up to be an amazing mom and women. My prayers go out to her family.



Mike Wanielista August 31 at 2:57 AM

I write this with heavy heart. I worked with Donna for all of her 31 years at Lockheed Martin. She was truly a friend and supportive coworker. My sincere condolences for her loss sent along with prayers for healing to her entire family. She will be missed. RIP Donna.



Molly Erickson August 30 at 12:19 PM

My deepest condolences for the loss of your wife and Mom. I see so many beautiful comments from Lockheed Martin coworkers, a tribute to her and the many people she touched. She will be missed.



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Donna by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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