



Donnie M. Lucas

June 28, 1943 - July 16, 2022

No obituary found for this tribute.

Cemetery Details

Dorchester Memory Gardens

11000 Dorchester Road
Summerville, SC 29485
<http://www.dorchestermemorygardens.com>

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 21. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

James A. Dyal Funeral Home
303 S. Main Street
Summerville, SC 29483
(843) 873-4040
<https://www.jamesadyal.com>

Funeral Mass

JUL 22. 12:00 PM (ET)

St. John the Beloved Catholic Church
28 Sumter Avenue
Summerville, SC 29483

Tribute Wall



“ *Donnie M. Lucas*

September 29, 2022 at 10:11 AM



“ *My Friend,*

Donnie M Lucas of Summerville born June 28, 1943 in Great Falls, SC died unexpectedly on July 16, 2022. He was the son of Leatha Holley Lucas and James Lee Lucas also of Great Falls, SC.

He is survived by his current wife, Ginny Castaldi Lucas, daughter Sheila Lucas Broach of Summerville and brother James Lucas of Lancaster SC.

Donnie joined the USAF following his high school graduation. He was stationed at the Charleston AFB and married Brenda Leonhardt of Great Falls. They made their home in the Summerville, SC area. Donnie became a member of the USAF reserve and worked for the DOD as a Avionics Technician. Donnie retired in 2014 as a MSGT. His wife Brenda passed away in 2012.

Donnie remarried in 2017 to Ginny Castaldi of Summerville at St. John the Beloved Catholic Church. He joined the Catholic faith in 2022.

Visitation will be held Thursday July 21, 2022 at James A. Dyal Funeral Home, Summerville from 6 until 8 o'clock. A Mass will be held Friday July 22, 2022 at 12 o'clock followed by a Military grave side service at Dorchester Memory Gardens in Summerville, S.C.

Henry Wiehrs - August 15, 2022 at 10:49 AM

KE

“ Donnie, we sure are gonna miss you. I enjoyed the time we had together, you were a good soul with and good heart. You loved Brenda and Sheila and would be there for me when I needed an extra hand doing something as I would for you. I was proud to call you my Father-in-Law. I enjoyed your stories, the talks we had sitting on the property when you were building your house, helping you pick out the different options you wanted for Sheila to have to leave her when you were not here anymore. Brenda would have loved the house and what you and Sheila picked out for it, minimal like you to were, nothing fancy. I am sorry she didn't get to enjoy it but You and Her are together again in Heaven, enjoying each other again.

I looked up to you at the way you handled everything with Brenda's sickness. i loved listening to your stories and spending time with you, it was always great to hear you talk about you taking the family on vacations, going camping and getting together with family for cookouts. Sheila was lucky to have you as her Father. You could tell a good story and joke. always happy and willing to do anything fun. I remember the long day trips, the time we went to the Carolina game and had a blast. You will be missed, Rest easy Donnie, until we meet again.



Kenny - July 23, 2022 at 09:18 AM

SB

“Dad, I love you and yes, I will miss you and all of our crazy secret missions the current ones and the past ones as well i know you will always have my back and look out for me, But I will miss all of the endless heartfelt conversations we had. I was so lucky to have you as a father and a friend. You showed me how to love without conditions and show forgiveness by the way you loved my mother Brenda Lucas and myself. I saw how you cared for her when she was so sick without a complaint you had so much integrity and love and devotion to us it was unreal and you shared it with so many other people as well I can tell so many stories about you and all of your patience with me and others (I was always your mini me as a kid) yawl can only imagine the trouble, and you told me that you loved my mom and me endlessly and always and I am excited for you and mom and the lucy girl (best dog ever as you put it) to be together again and I also know that when you get a chance you will be playing penny poker with family and telling them again all of the many stories about all of the fun packed vacations and daddy daughter dates we had after mom passed getting her all up to date on stuff and even the stories that we had as family when she was alive he always like to keep the past stories current so no one would forget and all of the dinners so many dinners from the pig cook outs and all of the fish fry's and all of the family get-togethers you were all ways telling the stories and taking so many pictures for the family as well you have always been a great story teller including the story about the beer and the bear at Elkmont and how we would take over the golf cart Parades at ocean lakes campground at the beach for spring break something we did every year and thanks for the love you gave me for a upside down roller-coaster by taking me on my first one ever the king cobra and the love for camping in the blue ridge and all of your off the wall question you would ask the park rangers because you just wanted to know and now I have inherited that from you and now I will have to ask way to many crazy question for you and me both and not to mention how much fun we had shopping for the build of the house supplies and all of the many house plans I went through trying to find the perfect fit and all of the happy mile stones we had when something was completed and it

turned out the way we wanted it simple and you would tell me i think your mom would have loved this house and it always made me feel lucky to have you as my dad and not to forget all of the day trips we did because you loved to explore everything from just driving the back roads to camping in Cherokee and cold river tubing and playing put- put and making it into a dollar hole game and eating a few bugs every now and then and all of our wed dinner dates we always made it fun and when i needed you the most you were always there and you would tell me there is always 2 side of the story so until we meet again thanks for being my dad i love Sheila Lucas Broach

Sheila Lucas Broach - July 22, 2022 at 07:41 PM

SB

I Love you DAD, Charlie

Sheila Lucas Broach - July 23, 2022 at 08:28 AM

BP

“ *Condolences to the Lucas family; so sorry to hear that Donnie has passed. We were stationed at CAFB from 1996 to 2005 and I had the privilege to work with Donnie. He was definitely a one of a kind and will be missed. Have so many great memories of our time there and quite a few include those with the AIS family. God bless and Godspeed.*

Bill Phreaner - July 21, 2022 at 10:59 PM

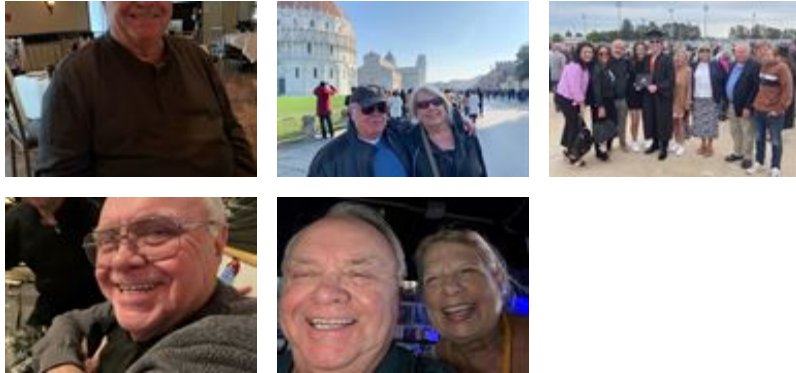
SB

my dad spoke of his work buddy's all of the time he loved working there and when he needed some help many would just show up no questions ask my dad always loved the cookouts and he loved when yall would cook out the bratwurst he would come home and share many stories

Sheila Lucas Broach - July 22, 2022 at 08:12 PM



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James A Dyal Funeral Home - July 21, 2022 at 10:26 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Donnie M. Lucas.



July 21, 2022 at 08:59 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Donnie M. Lucas.



July 21, 2022 at 07:55 AM

SJ

“ Worked with Donnie for 40plus years at CAFB. He was always a very nice friendly co-worker. He will truly be missed by all that knew him.

Sammie S. Johnson, Sr.

Sammie Surrell and Rosa White Johnson - July 20, 2022 at 07:59 PM

SB

my dad loved working there because he met so many great people, he loved the extras like all of the walks around the trail and taking care of the canteen he was happy there

Sheila Lucas Broach - July 23, 2022 at 08:06 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Donnie M. Lucas.



July 20, 2022 at 04:16 AM

RM

“ So happy i had the opportunity to meet Donnie these last several years. Not only has he made my best friends Mom (Ginny) get back her rosy complexion, but made us all smile to be around him. They had a true love story. Best memory is in OBX, pouring rain going to see the wild horses. Bill and i got drenched, we laughed so hard. The sun came out. Meeting for dinner later that year in NJ and Donnie and Ginny gave us a framed photo of the horses from that day. Still hangs on our wall. Priceless. Rest in Peace Donnie. Ginny, stay strong. We love you. 🙏❤️

Regina Merwin - July 19, 2022 at 06:54 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Donnie M. Lucas.*



July 19, 2022 at 06:33 PM



“ *Donnie and I were co-workers at Charleston AFB for many years as civilians, and Reservists, bur more than that we were friends for over fifty years. I have many happy memories of the times we spent together. He had a gift for taking everyday life events and turning them into stories that made everyone around him smile. Condolences to his family. I know he will be missed.*

Mannie Tillotson - July 19, 2022 at 05:25 PM



My dad loved all of his work friends and he spoke highly of everyone, and when my mother died his wife of many years ya'll stood by his side and he took pride in that

Sheila Lucas Broach - July 23, 2022 at 08:17 AM



“ *Ginny,
On behalf of the Young at Heart senior group please accept our sincere condolences on the passing of Donnie. It was a pleasure knowing him the last few years. He had a nice sense of humor. May he Rest In Peace. God bless you.
Bonnie DeFranc
Trinity Young at Heart*

Bonnie DeFranc - July 19, 2022 at 04:59 PM

AS

“ Adeline Simonelli" purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Donnie M. Lucas.



Adeline Simonelli" - July 19, 2022 at 02:24 PM

JH

“ Our condolences to Ginny and Family, John & Pauline

John Herlihy - July 19, 2022 at 02:20 PM

KP

“ Kevin, Robin, Emily and Erin Perry purchased the Joyful Memory for the family of Donnie M. Lucas.



Kevin, Robin, Emily and Erin Perry - July 19, 2022 at 01:33 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Donnie M. Lucas.



July 19, 2022 at 12:38 PM

FW

“ Our hearts are saddened you will no longer be with us. You were one that would always be there good times and bad. God has chosen for you to be with him. We will miss you terribly. God bless Ginny as she as she sadly strives to carry on with her life . Until we meet again, We will miss you my friend .

FRAN WIEHRS - July 19, 2022 at 07:52 AM

BG

“ My deepest condolences- so sorry to learn of Donnie's passing

Bonnie Gerladis - July 18, 2022 at 06:26 PM

SA

“ My memory is uncle Donnie being the best uncle that made sure every summer I went on vacations with him and my aunt Brenda and my cousin sheila not to mention spending summers with them. I haven't seen him since he remarried but talked to him a few times over the phone. He will greatly be missed by us and surely missed by sheila aka Charlie. May he Rest In Peace with aunt Brenda now
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salina! - July 18, 2022 at 06:07 PM

PA

Jimmy and Sheila, So sorry about Donnie's passing. I can remember the good times we had as children. We would make the special Oyster Stew on the many cold days that we spent together Those were the good times that cousins had together. Sheila I know you will miss your Dad, but one day you will be together again. Love you both. Patricia Griffin Terry

PatriciaGTerry - July 19, 2022 at 04:08 PM

SB

thank you so much

Sheila Lucas Broach - July 22, 2022 at 08:15 PM

TA

Worked with Donnie for many years at CAFB. He always had a good story that everyone enjoyed. He was one of the best trainers for our new people. He seemed to get along with everyone. Donnie and Brenda were close friends and they will always be remembered fondly. Condolences to his family.

Tom Angel

Tom Angel - July 30, 2022 at 02:46 PM