



Duane E Jenkins

October 1, 1966 - August 31, 2025

Duane E. Jenkins of Browns Mills passed away suddenly on August 31, 2025 at his home. He was 58.

The son of the late Charles and Dona Faye (nee MacPherson) Jenkins, he was born on the stroke of midnight, doctor claimed he was born on October 2nd, nurses the first, but his mom decided that the first-born son should have a birthdate of the 1st. For a brief blip of time Duane was “the baby” of the family and garnered much attention.

He had an idyllic young childhood, growing up in a 2 bedroom bungalow on the lakefront in Browns Mills. Duane loved his simple and quiet life with a childhood surrounded by extended family with large gatherings.

Duane graduated from Pemberton Township High School and Rider College and returned to work in the family well drilling business, J.W. Jenkins and Sons Well Drilling, Inc. He remained dedicated to the business, running the office out of his home.

Duane enjoyed reading, everything Disney, and spending time with his nieces and nephews, who he referred to as ‘his kids,’ they were everything to him. Duane lived his life for everyone else and always made sure everyone else was taken care of. In spite of being stubborn and set in his ways, he was a

funny guy and had a heart of gold.

He is survived by his brothers and sisters-in-law: Todd and Stacy, Bryan and Melinda, and his nephews and nieces: Colby Liam, Lola Isabella, Zachary Curtis, and Sydney Morgan.

Duane was very specific about no services, contributions in his memory may be made to the Ronald McDonald House of Southern NJ, 550 Mickle Ave., Camden, NJ 08103. <https://rmhsnj.org/donate-now/>

Cemetery Details

Odd Fellows Cemetery (New)

Odd Fellows Road
Pemberton, NJ

Tribute Wall

ES

“ Duane was one of the nicest people I have ever known, a beautiful soul! His passion was taking care of others, almost to a fault. His loss hits hard, like losing a brother. Sending love to Todd, Bryan and their families.

Duane will be missed but he left an incredible legacy..
Love you all like family!

Rest In Peace Brother Duane.

Ed Smith

Ed Smith - September 04, 2025 at 12:54 PM

KU

Duane was a loving caring young man that cared for his family and friends as well as others in need. I will never forget all the time that he gave to help us with our Lions Club if we needed it to help raise money for people that was always in his heart. ❤️ I will always remember him for his kindness. God Bless You Duane Rest in Peace,

Kathi Ulrich

Kathi Ulrich - September 04, 2025 at 05:33 PM

MS

“ Duane was the doting uncle every niece or nephew should have had! So generous to the four kids. He will be remembered fondly by Frank and myself for his amazing baking skills, floral arrangements, and his fabulous hand-made Christmas ornaments.

May his memory be a blessing.

~Meg and Frank Musella

Meg Schultz - September 04, 2025 at 12:44 PM

LG

“ Lisa G. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Duane E Jenkins.

Lisa G. - September 04, 2025 at 07:37 AM

RG

“ I loved reading the tributes to this great young. I had the good fortune of knowing Dwane and all of the Jenkins boys for over 50+ years. He was a special young man. If there is anything I have learned in my life it is that nothing beautiful is ever lost. Dwane shall live on in everyone's lives that knew him. We offer our condolences to his brothers and their families.

Richard & KC Gober

Richard Gober - September 03, 2025 at 11:53 PM

SS

I will miss Duane teasing me! He was a special person who adored his family. My love to his them.
Sherry Scull

Sherry Scull - September 04, 2025 at 08:16 AM

MR

“ There was no one who loved Browns Mills more than Duane. If you had a history question, he was your expert. But he also cared deeply about its future.
He kept up with local news constantly and I asked him every year to run for office - always to get a quick denial.
So, I started voting for him by write-in on Election Day for whatever post I felt he would fill best (which was every one). I'd tell him afterwards what position I selected, and he'd laugh and say, "Ok. If I win with one vote, I'll do it, but that's the only way it will ever happen."
I truly loved him and his ever-selfless friendship to me and my family. He'll live on in our hearts always.
Marie Reynolds

Marie Reynolds - September 03, 2025 at 11:00 PM

BF

“ Duane was a great guy and had a wonderful sense of humor. I know he will be missed.

Barbara Fallon - September 03, 2025 at 10:33 PM

HO

“ Duane was a wonderful man. Rest in peace, friend.

The Hoberts

Hobert - September 03, 2025 at 08:27 PM

ST

“ Sharing this story because it tells all exactly who Duane Jenkins was!

He surprised my Son and Daughter on their 1st trip to Disney World with a Hotel Surprise!!!

We checked into our room and on the beds, 2 monogrammed cooler bags One for Axel and One for Scarlett, full of Disney goodies for the week.

Attached with a note simply saying ,”enjoy”!

No name. No credit was wanted.

It Took me some time to figure out who sent it, in the end came down to, Duane.

How he knew the details of our trip still a mystery. You know the Mills ,even when you don't live there everyone knows your business.

I consider, all The Jenkins boys the “brothers “

I never had, Duane was always there for us kids. Now, as an adult, was there for my kids, thought about my kids when he didn't have to.

We kept in touch as adults but we didn't get to see each other a lot.

We would catch up at the milestone parties, but that was about it.

We would speak once in a great while on the phone, like always you think you have more time. He didn't know my kids well.

So, I was very surprised that he went above and beyond for them to Make this trip a little extra

Special.

He touched many people with gestures like that always.

That is who Duane was, always thinking of others.

This world lost a great Man way too soon, I know he is resting with loved ones by his side. Looking down many watching over is all,

And looking at me still saying with a giggle shaking his

Head “OStacey Cline”!

stacey Turesson - September 03, 2025 at 06:53 PM