



## Lela M Haines

August 18, 1946 - May 23, 2026

Lela "Lena" Haines passed away peacefully on Saturday, May 23, 2026 at the Samaritan Hospice Inpatient Unit in Mt. Holly, NJ. She was 79.

Born in Mt. Holly on August 18, 1946, she was the daughter of the late Joseph Howard and Mayola Sooy Haines. Lena was also preceded in death by her half-sister Edna Haines, her brothers Joseph "Tobe" Haines, Jr. and Lewis Haines, and her nephew Lewis "Louie" Giberson.

Lena had a very strong work ethic and was employed by a variety of businesses over the years including Haines Brothers, Haddon House, and First Student, Inc. where she served for many years as a school bus driver. Her final job was that of farm laborer and truck driver for Simons Berry Farm, LLC where she was a loyal, hard-working employee for over eighteen years.

The wife of the late Samuel, Lena is survived by her brother Theodore (Cindy) Haines,  
her brother Daniel (Sandy) Haines, and a sister Rosemary Haines as well as numerous  
nieces, nephews and cousins. "Lee" also leaves behind her caregiver Judy Church.

Per Lena's wishes, her interment will be private.

Contributions in her memory may be made to Samaritan Healthcare and Hospice. Please  
see their website at [samaritannj.org](http://samaritannj.org) regarding donations.

# Tribute Wall

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“ Debra Richards lit a candle in memory of Lela  
M Haines



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**Debra Richards** - 3 hours ago

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*Love You Lee will miss you terribly. Working with you was a pleasure.  
So thankful for Judy taking care of you these past years since Lewis  
passed.*

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**Debra Richards** - 3 hours ago