



## Donna Jean Bardis

November 1, 1937 - April 5, 2022

Donna Jean Bardis, 84, of Toledo, Ohio, passed away Tuesday, April 5, 2022 at Ohio Living Swan Creek due to cancer, with family at her side. Donna was born on November 1, 1937 in Toledo, an only child to the late Homer and Cleo (Harrington) Decker. Except for her college years, Donna always resided in her hometown, Toledo. Donna received her Bachelor of Science degree in Mathematics from Bowling Green State University and her Master of Science degree in Education from Michigan State University.

She taught Mathematics at the University of Toledo full-time in the 1960s, where a university mailroom employee introduced her to fellow professor Panos Demetrios Bardis, and they were married soon after. When they traveled to conferences around the country and around the world, they always brought their sons along, even braving international travel when the boys were infants and toddlers.

After the birth of her sons, in addition to being a devoted mother and a partner to her husband in his writing and editing endeavors, Donna continued her love of teaching Mathematics: part-time at the university, substitute teaching in high school, and tutoring. Post-teaching, Donna's main activity, in both a productive and social capacity, was her involvement in investment clubs, especially the University Women's Club Investment Club, National Association of Investment Companies, and Better Investing. In these groups, she made many lifelong friends, traveled to seminars around the country, received recognitions and awards, gave presentations, held board positions, and strove to outperform the market. As a resident at Swan Creek, perhaps due to her exemplary typing skills, admirable organization, and ability to navigate a Windows computer more adeptly than even her more youthful peers, Donna served in the Residents' Association.

Donna is survived by her and Panos's sons, Byron Galen Bardis and Jason Dante Bardis, Jason's wife Michelle and their two children Alexander Demetri Bardis and Katherine Aurora Bardis, and her cousin Nancy Dais.

Donna was preceded in her death by her husband, Panos Demetrios Bardis in 1996.

A Funeral Service will be held on Saturday, April 9th at Ohio Living Swan Creek Retirement Village, Reed Chapel, 5916 Cresthaven Lane, Toledo, Ohio at 11:00 a.m. where the family will begin greeting guests at 10:00 a.m. Interment will follow in Toledo Memorial Park.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that any memorial contributions be made to American Heart Association, American Cancer Society, Ohio Living Swan Creek, and WGTE.

Thank you to the entire staff at Swan Creek, who took care of Donna during her times of illness and recovery. She repeatedly expressed to her family gratitude and joy that she had decided to move to Swan Creek in 2018.

Please view and sign the online guest registry at [www.coylefuneralhome.com](http://www.coylefuneralhome.com)

# Cemetery

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## Toledo Memorial Park

6382 Monroe St

Sylvania, OH, 43560

# Events

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**APR** **Visitation** 10:00AM - 11:00AM

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Swan Creek Retirement Village Chapel  
5916 Cresthaven Ln, Toledo, OH, US, 43614

**APR** **Funeral Ceremony** 11:00AM

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Swan Creek Retirement Village Chapel  
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# Comments

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“ Yes indeed as stated in the obituary...  
She did choose her words carefully and had a noble calmness.  
Back in 1979 I took a calculus class from her. Higher math was a challenge to say the least but I wanted a BS (not a BA) in Biology.  
She expected much from us, but was supportive. There was always an aura of calm in the class which facilitated learning.  
We all learned not only calculus, but much more. Much more.  
Rest in peace, Professor Bardis. Rest in Peace.

Janice Flahiff - April 09 at 05:56 AM

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“ Pink Potpourri Bouquet was purchased for the family of Donna Jean Bardis.



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“ Everything I know about investing I learned from Donna and the University Women’s Club Investment Club. I didn’t join until 2008, but Donna was the founding member forming the club in 1988. Of the (11) original members, only Donna stayed with the club throughout its entire 33 yr existence. She was the first elected President and she agreed to serve in the roles of President and Secretary several times over the years. The club’s first stock purchase was 50 shares of American Family in Nov. 1988. The club’s portfolio value was \$2271 at that time. The club met on the 2nd Tuesday of every month and Donna was always there and always prepared with stock suggestions and stock study guides (SSGs). When new members joined the club, it was Donna who taught them the basics of investing and the specifics of creating an SSG. Whenever there was a difficult question or decision, the club always turned to Donna. And, we all profited from her wisdom. When the club dissolved in Sept 2021, our portfolio value had grown to \$855,000. Donna’s club was a success.

There are so many words that describe Donna - intelligent, warm, interesting, welcoming, kind. I feel so fortunate to have known her.

Rest in peace, Donna,  
Barbara Smith

**Barbara Smith** - April 07 at 02:25 PM

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“ Danna was an amazing woman ! So glad I had the pleasure of knowing her through the University Woman's investment Club. She had so much knowledge and was always willing to share it with other. She will surely be missed. Robin Byczynski

**Robin L. Byczynski** - April 07 at 01:24 PM

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**Barbara Smith** - April 07 at 01:20 PM

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“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Donna Jean Bardis.



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**jasonbardis** - April 06 at 02:10 PM