



## Katherine A. Little

July 23, 1936 - February 22, 2020

Sussex Borough - Katherine Little, age 83, peacefully passed away on Saturday, February 22, 2020 at her home. Born in Wantage, Kathy had lived in Sussex Borough since her early childhood years and was a 1955 graduate of Sussex High School. She was a floral designer for various local floral shops for many years. She will warmly be remembered as "Mayor Little." Kathy's greatest achievement was expressed in her love for Sussex Borough and the welfare of her town was always her priority. She was first elected to the Council in 1988 and then was elected Mayor, which she served from 2004 to 2007. Kathy continued to volunteer and then decided to run for the Mayoral seat again and was elected to serve her town from 2016 to 2019. She currently sat on the Planning and Zoning Board after her term was completed and was the Sussex Borough representative for the 208 Water Quality Policy Advisory Committee. Kathy put her heart and soul into the Clove Lake Restoration and remained active preserving the lake and currently served on the Clove Lake/Brook Maintenance Committee. Kathy was a lifetime member of the First Baptist Church of Sussex, the High Point Garden Club, the Sussex County Agricultural Society, member of the Wantage Grange No. 78 since 1950 and served as their secretary/treasurer for many years, Sussex Pomoma Grange No. 2, New Jersey State Grange, and the National Grange. She participated in the Sussex County Farm and Horse Show and won many awards for flowers and vegetables along with her late husband, George. Kathy was predeceased by her parents, Allen Auberger and Anna (Bennett)

Auberger and her husband of 57 years, George. She is survived by her two sons, Wayne Little and his wife Martha of Augusta and Perry Little and his wife Sharon of Wantage; her daughter, Wendy Kovach and her husband Alex "Shon" of Franklin; her brother, David Auberger and his wife Joanne of Madrid, New York; her three sisters, Edith Zoon and her husband Robert of White Lake, South Dakota, Inez Wendt and her husband Daryl of Oxford, PA, and Donna Taylor and her husband Arnie of Bradford, New York; five grandchildren, Bradley Little and his wife Rena, Mimely Little, Keith Little, and Alex and Kara Kovach; and three great grandchildren, Kaylee, Everett, and Harper. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, February 28, 2020 at the Pinkel Funeral Home, 31 Bank Street (Route 23), Sussex, NJ. Interment will follow at Beemerville Cemetery. Friends may pay their respects to the family on Thursday, February 27, 2020 from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial donations may be made in Kathy's memory to the Wantage Grange No. 78, c/o Pinkel Funeral Home, 31 Bank Street (Route 23), Sussex, NJ 07461, or to the First Baptist Church of Sussex, 4 East Main Street, Sussex, NJ 07461. Online condolences may be offered to the family at [www.pinkelfuneralhome.com](http://www.pinkelfuneralhome.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Beemerville Cemetery

Route 519  
Wantage, NJ 07461

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 27. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Pinkel Funeral Home, Inc.  
31 Bank Street (Route 23)  
Sussex, NJ 07461  
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## Service

FEB 28. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

RH

“ Wayne, Perry, & Wendy, & Families,  
We are so very sorry about the loss of a wonderful lifetime friend who was so dear to our hearts, and all who knew her. She went out of her way to work for her hometown, “Sussex,” to make it a better place for both natives, and newcomers. Her tireless efforts throughout her life, and her beautiful smile, as well as personality plus will not soon be forgotten. Truly one of Sussex’s finest, a devoted wife, mother, classmate, neighbor, and friend. May she rest peacefully from all her labors for all of eternity. You are all in our thoughts and prayers as you mourn the loss of your dearly loved mother, and grandmother. She left a wonderful legacy for all to follow as an example.

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**Ronald, Rayna, Debbie Howell** - February 28, 2020 at 03:21 PM

RH

*With our heartfelt sympathies,  
Ronnie, Rayna, & Debbie Howell*

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**Ronald & Rayna Howell** - February 28, 2020 at 03:22 PM

BM

“ I remember in 2007 Kathy came to the Sussex Democratic meeting to beg for assistance in her run for mayor. She was the only Democratic mayor in all of Sussex County. I was one of the two volunteers to help her in the mayoral race. Governor Corzine favored her opponent. Well Kathy lost the race, but it was a bigger loss for Sussex. Later I enjoyed working with her in fighting the privatization of the Sussex Water, and in her last mayoral race that she won.

*Kathy was what one wants in a mayor, which is a person that put the town's interests ahead of her own.*

*Kathy will be missed.*

*Bob McCafferty*

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**Bob McCafferty** - February 27, 2020 at 05:41 PM

JJ

“ JoAnn Auberger Johnson lit a candle in memory of Katherine A. Little



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**JoAnn Auberger Johnson** - February 27, 2020 at 01:30 PM

DS

“ Sorry to hear about Kathy. I remember her from grange and her stories about her trips with my grandmother Stella Kelsch to State Grange. They had some fun times together. She gave a certificate for turning 100 from the town of Sussex to my grandmother. That last time I saw her was at my grandmother's funeral.

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**Douglas Stanton** - February 26, 2020 at 10:09 PM

TF

“ Sending hugs and prayers To all family members of Katherine Little 💕 she will be missed as an active person of the community,,Also as a neighbor. 🙏🌸🌟



The Owen Brands family - February 26, 2020 at 12:12 AM

MM

“ Perry and Sharon,  
So sorry for your loss.  
Robb and Melissa Thompson

melissa mackinnon - February 25, 2020 at 10:12 AM

JV

“ Jill Vosburg lit a candle in memory of  
Katherine A. Little



Jill Vosburg - February 24, 2020 at 09:33 AM

JV

In my thoughts and prayers. Such a beautiful lady inside and out. So sorry for your loss

Jill Vosburg - February 24, 2020 at 09:35 AM

 Moe Johnson

“ Kathy & George were our neighbors across the street for many years. Kathy wouldn't put a curtain up in her sewing room so she could see my our Boxer's pretty face looking back at her. Good folks ! Rest in peace.

Moe Johnson - February 24, 2020 at 07:28 AM



“ I knew Kathy as a member of the High Point Garden Club. Among her many other talents and positive accomplishments, she did much over the years to bring the beauty of flowers to Sussex Borough and the Clifton Lawrence School, as well as many other area projects. I always admired her independent spirit, her generosity to others, and the willingness to speak her mind. I'll miss you, Kathy. May you be at peace. Mary Cafarelli

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**Mary Cafarelli** - February 23, 2020 at 11:37 PM

JW

“ Janice Wislowski lit a candle in memory of Katherine A. Little



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**Janice Wislowski** - February 23, 2020 at 10:21 PM