



# Denise Ann Cuper

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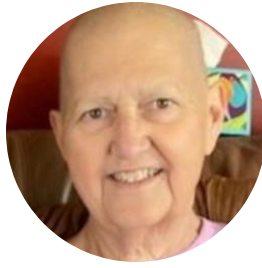


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**D**enise Ann Cuper (Behn), age 64 of Aurora, passed away Monday, May 27, 2024. Denise was born on August 19, 1959 in Oneida County, WI to Albert L. and Mary A. (Alhborn) Behn (both deceased). She was a 1977 graduate of Aurora High School and on September 10, 1977 she married her husband of 46 years, Michael S. Cuper Jr. Denise worked as a long time bus driver for Kenston School District. She was an active volunteer in her community, including Portage County 4-H and Aurora Girl Scouts. She loved children, her family, and being on her family farm in Wisconsin.

Along with her parents, Denise was preceded in death by her siblings, Duane, David and Doreen Behn. She is survived by her husband Mike; a brother, Douglas Behn; children, Cary L. Romberger, Michael S. Cuper, III, and Stephanie S.; grandchildren, Ivy Ann, Michael S. IV, Mace H., Makenzie Ann and Joel M. III; Godson, Lucas J. Behn, and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

Friends may gather for visitation at Green Funeral Care, 4668 Pioneer Trail, (at the corner of St. Rt. 44), Mantua, Friday, May 31, 2024 from 4-7 pm, and Saturday, June 1, 2024 from 12 – 1 pm. A funeral service will immediately follow at the funeral home at 1pm.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in her memory to the Ahlborn Family Farm Trust, P.O. Box 1341, Minocqua, WI 54548



# Events


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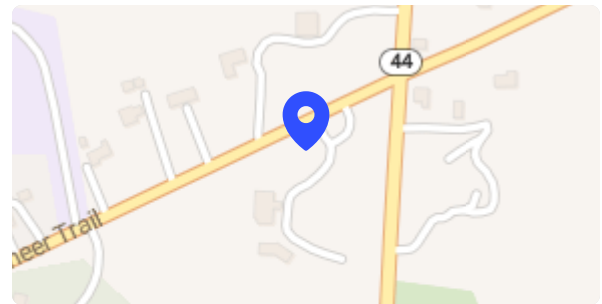
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## Visitation


 **Friday**, May 31, 2024

 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM ET


 **Green Funeral Care**  
4668 Pioneer Trail, Mantua OH 44255

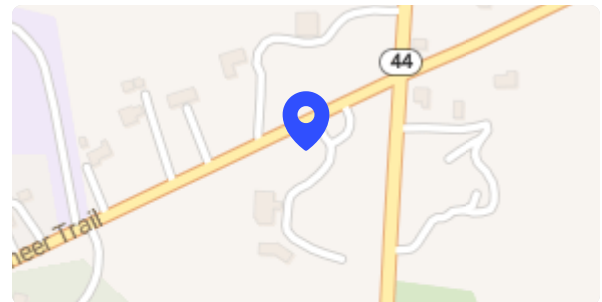


## Visitation

 **Saturday**, June 1, 2024

 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM ET


 **Green Funeral Care**  
4668 Pioneer Trail, Mantua OH 44255

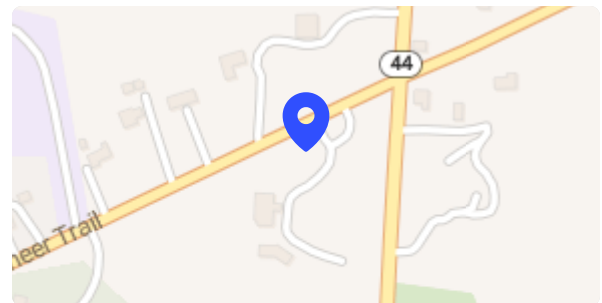


## Funeral Service

 **Saturday**, June 1, 2024

 1:00 PM - 1:30 PM ET

 **Green Funeral Care**  
4668 Pioneer Trail, Mantua OH 44255





## Tribute Wall

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MC

**Michael S Cuper Jr** posted:

My beautiful bride, Denise my love it has been one year today that God called you to heaven to be one of his angels. As you probably know day after my 75th birthday I decided to fall and break my fibula in 2 places. They were cleaned breaks. No surgery after 5 weeks I was walking without any aids. That caused me not to be able to watch Joey anymore or time being. He is something else. Amazing son of an amazing mother. You taught her right she is great with him. Steph also did alot for me when I was layed up. I really miss you my love. Times I call out your name. Life has to go on because I don't want to miss anything of Joey's life. Huggs& Kisses my love until the next time.

May 27 at 1:36 PM

MJ

**Michael S Cuper Jr** June 6 at 12:36 PM

You probably know this but I was so excited that we had a peony blossom. Was just one but after 30 years was a miracle. Love you and I do sure miss you 🥹🥹🥹🥹

MC

**Mike Cuper Jr** posted:

It was 5 months Sunday 10/27/24 that my beautiful bride was taken by Lord to be with her mother, 2 brothers and sister. Not a day goes by without my thoughts of her. I have even called out to Denise like she was in her woman cave that she built. I live with the thoughts that when it is my time I will be able to spend eternity with her. How I wish she was here right now helping me take care of our grandson Joey who was born in the same hospital 2 days before she went to heaven. Denise I love you with every ounce of me.

October 29 at 8:52 AM

MC

**Michael S Cuper Jr** posted:

I want to thank everyone for the kind words about my beautiful bride of 47yrs. Really no words can describe Denise. She was one of a kind. Saturday the 27th of July Denise's ashed were laid to rest in Minocqua Wisconsin. Next to her mother and closely by other family members. With her is the ashes of are beloved dog Rocky . Once again thank you Mike Cuper

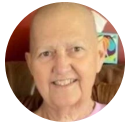
July 29 at 10:48 AM

KK

**Kathy Kobyljanec** posted:

So sorry to hear of Denise's passing. What a wonderful woman, mom, friend, tireless 4H leader who taught so many children how to thrive in life. She was special.

June 2 at 3:07 PM



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**The Zydyk Family** lit a candle in honor of Denise.

Mrs. Cuper was a lovely person and an amazing bus driver. We will all miss her, esp. Lily and Erin. Our deepest sympathy.

May 31 at 4:36 PM



**Michael Shirdon** posted:

It is with a sad heart ❤️ that I found out that Denise Cuper passed away due to her battle with cancer on this past Monday 5/27, only 3 days after her grandchild was born in the same hospital as she was in, ... and they laid her grandchild in her lap for Denise to see, before she passed on! She will forever be part of us, whom she worked, loved, shared LIFE with, and trained to safely drive a school bus, and or school van, and also an example of how to treat others! She was so much more than a Wife, Mom, SB & Van Driver, Road-E-O planner, & volunteer, OBI, Union Leader, a developer of Kenston Local Schools - Anti Bullying Program- called P.E.A. K. ( Peaceful Environment At Kenston), with innate appreciation and Love for Nature, Farming and also the Equestrian riding and show world..ect...ect ... the list goes on and on! She is forever a follower of Christ, ... full of Faith and Love for others !. Here on Earth, outside her household, and especially her God given family! Mrs. Cuper treated complete Strangers like Friends, and her Friends like her own Family!!! Who she is will forever impact those who were Blessed to know her and the impact she made, both directly and indirectly on all those around her! Denise, you trained me, and so many others on bus 5 and drove bus 42 and many others in your career of selfless service. Thank You does not seem fitting for all you have done for others! God Bless You Denise Cuper! Rest in Peace,... Friend!

May 31 at 12:45 PM



**Anne Ritz** posted:

We are so sad for you loss. Denise was one of the sweetest, most gentle, kindest, caring people we've ever met. She was so lovely to have as a 4-H leader and really was responsible for bringing out the best in our kids as well as so many other children. She gently pried so many out of their shells and helped them become confident, great people. We are all better for having known her and she will be so missed!

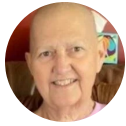
May 31 at 10:53 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Cuper family.

May 31 at 10:35 AM





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**Susan Damico** lit a candle in honor of Denise.

I'm so saddened by the loss of Denise. I worked with her for 16 years at Kenston. When I was training to drive a bus she was in training to become an OBI. We had so much fun doing this. Especially the melons that got loose in the bus. She did so much at Kenston from being a bus driver, OBI, being a peak ambassador, to helping the OAPSE union every min she had left. Thank you for teaching me the value of the laws behind driving a bus. Thank you for your positive attitude and smile. You will be missed.



May 31 at 3:56 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Strength & Solace Spray to the Cuper family.



May 30 at 10:57 PM



**Milena Gotch** posted:

God bless Mrs. Cuper. ❤️🙏 She was always such a sweet and friendly neighbor when I was growing up. My sincere condolences, Cuper Family. -Milena (Marylee) Gotch

May 30 at 5:51 PM



**Lorraine Embrescia** posted:

My kids bus driver, co-worker, and my dear friend...Denise, you will be missed and in my heart forever!With our deepest sympathy and love to everyone you have touchedThe Embrescia family

May 30 at 12:58 PM



**Lorraine E.** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Denise.



May 30 at 12:38 PM



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AG

**Adam Gotch** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Denise.



May 30 at 9:31 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Cuper family.



May 30 at 9:31 AM

MD

**Marie Difranto** posted:

We are so sorry for your loss.. Denise was such an amazingly sweet person and an absolute gem of a bus driver. My 2 daughters loved having her and missed her so much this past school year. We ALL know she wanted to be with them, and would have if she could. We texted a few times while she was sick, I was really rooting her on. She was an absolute fighter.. and will be greatly missed by the DiFranco Family. Especially Evianna & Brielle

May 30 at 4:42 AM

NS

**Nanette Shirdon** posted:

I always considered Denise a part of our family since she was our bus driver for our children. I never worried and was at peace knowing my children were in her care. She will always have a special place in my heart. She was dearly loved and will be missed very much especially by the Shirdon Family.  
Nanette Shirdon

May 29 at 4:00 PM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring Denise by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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