



Debra B. Eshleman

January 21, 1955 - June 6, 2024

Debra B. Eshleman, devoted daughter, beloved sister, proud aunt and faithful friend went home to be with the Lord on June 6, 2024. She was born on January 21, 1955, in Lancaster PA. Debra was the daughter of the late James Allen and Patricia B Eshleman. She was engaged to Thomas L. White until his death in 2000.

Deb graduated from Lampeter-Strasburg High School in 1972. She attended West Chester University. She earned her associate's degree in business from Penn State University. She also earned various certificates in production and management. Deb worked for International Signal and Control, New Standard Corporation, Herley Industries, BLM Designs, Central Penn Management Group and US Boiler Inc. She retired in 2018.

Deb was an active member of Concordia Evangelical Lutheran Church. She enjoyed attending services and performing various duties ranging from reading lessons during the service to baking bread for Communion to serving as a Board member. Deb was very active in the local Democratic Party chapter and volunteered for that organization, including helping at the polls. Deb loved horses. She had a pet horse named Rocket for 20 years. Her favorite sporting event was the Kentucky Derby. She enjoyed cooking and spending time with family and friends.

Deb was preceded in death by her fiancé Tom White, her father, James Eshleman, her grandparents, aunts, uncles and several cousins.

Deb is survived by her mother, Patricia B. Eshleman, sisters Diana B. E. Griffith (Rick), Doreen E. Hershey (Robert Sr.) and Patti L. Mountz (Brian), Mother-in-law Marion White, brothers-in-law Jeffry White and Brian White. Deb has 5 nieces and 4 nephews: Allison Freguson, Shauna Valko, Ashley White, Haley White, Ryan Griffith, Jason Griffith, Ericka Griffith and Bobby Hershey Jr. She has 2 great nieces, Josephine Griffith and Sunny Freguson, 2 great nephews, Samson Freguson and Bobby Hershey III and another great nephew Griffith on the way. Also surviving are cherished aunts, uncles and cousins.

Friends and family are respectfully invited to attend Deb's Celebration of Life Service on Saturday, June 22, 2024 at 11:00AM at Concordia Evangelical Lutheran Church, 3825 Concordia Road, Columbia PA 17512. Family and friends will be received at the church from 10:00AM to 11:00AM. Interment will be held in the Millersville Mennonite Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests you consider contributions in Deb's honor to Concordia Evangelical Lutheran Church (www.concordiaelc.com) or WITF (witf.org). For other information, please call (717) 872-1779 or submit an online condolence visit www.thegundelchapel.com Melanie B. Scheid Funeral Directors & Cremation Services, The Gundel Chapel, Conestoga PA.

Cemetery Details

Millersville Mennonite Cemetery

Millersville, PA

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 22. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Concordia Evangelical Lutheran Church
3825 Concordia Road
Columbia, PA 17512

Celebration of Life

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Tribute Wall



“ From Joni and Bob Herlinger purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Debra B. Eshleman.



From Joni and Bob Herlinger - June 21, 2024 at 04:00 PM



“ From Joni and Bob Herlinger planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Debra B. Eshleman.

From Joni and Bob Herlinger - June 21, 2024 at 04:00 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Debra B. Eshleman.



June 18, 2024 at 11:38 AM

MR

“ Remembering wonderful times with Deb through the years. Willow Street Pizza and horseback riding as teens. Her father taking us to the beach for a teen getaway.

Living in the same Mountville neighborhood as adults. Driving to Carlisle and Harrisburg for Thai food. Tom and Deb at our wedding in 2000, a few months before he passed.

Sleeping at her house the night before we moved to Florida. Deb visiting our new home in York, PA. We will miss you Deb.

Missy (Grube) and Kurt Reynolds

Melissa Grube Reynolds - June 11, 2024 at 05:14 PM

TK

“ Reacquainting again after years, Debra helped me coordinate and set up the successful LSHS 50th reunion. She was a pleasure to work with and so helpful. It really leaves a positive image of her in my mind. We will miss you Deb. May your friends and relatives find some peace of mind in the memories you have provided us! Tom K.

Tom K - June 09, 2024 at 07:28 PM