



Jean L. Christman

August 16, 1931 - August 13, 2025

Jean L. Christman, 93 of Leola passed away at Lancaster General Hospital on Wednesday, August 13, 2025 after a brief illness. Born in Lancaster on August 16, 1931, she was the daughter of the late Fred Brubaker Groff and Esther V. Goss Groff. She was the wife of Rev. Daniel J. Christman, who preceded her in death on February 9, 2006.

Jean attended the former New Holland High School. Jean enjoyed making other happy and would light up a room when she walked into one. She loved to play piano and sing.

After meeting and marrying Dan, she found happiness in pastoring alongside him at the churches he served. They served Mt. Hope Chapel in Welsh Mountain, Faith Fellowship in Honey Brook, Ephrata Bible Chapel and Faith Tabernacle in Lancaster. She was devoted to her Lord and Savior and was a prayer warrior. She played piano at many of the churches and senior centers in the area. She found enjoyment in watching game shows and doing the puzzle page every morning in the Lancaster Newspaper.

Jean will be dearly missed by her daughters, Robyn G. High and Jill R. Riffey, both of Lancaster and her sons, Paul "Pete" M., husband of Kathy Buckwalter of New Holland and Jeff R., husband of Debbie Buckwalter of Glasgow, Kentucky. She is survived by her grandchildren, Michelle, Adam, Melanie,

Mindy, Austin, Nate, Nick, Becky, Shawn, Jeff, Jr., Erick, Sue, Jennifer, Paula Jean, Lauren and Jordan; 26 great grandchildren and 7 great great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her daughter, Rhonda J. Gochenauer, granddaughter, Amanda High, brother, John W. Groff and sister Verna King.

Family and friends are respectfully invited to attend Jean's funeral service on Tuesday, August 19, 2025 at 11AM from the Melanie B. Scheid Funeral Directors & Cremation Services, 317 E. Orange Street, Lancaster with Pastor Gerald Simmons officiating. Friends will be received at the funeral home on Tuesday from 10AM to 11AM. Interment will be held in Memory Gardens in Ephrata.

Cemetery Details

Memory Gardens

Ephrata, PA 17033

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 19. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Melanie B. Scheid Funeral Directors & Cremation Services
317 E. Orange Street
Lancaster, PA 17602
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Funeral Service

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Graveside Service

AUG 19. 2:30 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ My deepest condolences to Jean's family - she was a very special person to us for her friendship and kindness to my mother Eunice Taylor, her next door neighbor from 2009 to 2017 at Nathan Village. My mom would have been lost without her when she moved in and over the years! I appreciated her lots and have fond memories of her and my mom together, and trust she is now with her Lord and Savior, enjoying the company of her old friends and family. Purple always - With my deepest sympathy and love, Connie York



CONNIE S YORK - August 19, 2025 at 04:50 PM

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“ Remembering Jean our fun time sit outside and laughing, talking. Sharing each other about God's love, crafts and going for walk. Shopping together at Sharp Shopper. Helping each other.

Stacey Hall - August 17, 2025 at 04:45 PM

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“ Julie & Lindell Servis purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Jean L. Christman.



Julie & Lindell Servis - August 17, 2025 at 03:05 PM

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“ Julie & Lindell Servis planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jean L. Christman.

Julie & Lindell Servis - August 17, 2025 at 03:05 PM

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“ *Michelle Arcudi (niece) lit a candle in memory of Jean L. Christman*



Michelle Arcudi (niece) - August 16, 2025 at 09:57 PM

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“ *Gail/Lonnie Burluson and Sam/Anna Larson purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Jean L. Christman.*



Gail/Lonnie Burluson and Sam/Anna Larson - August 16, 2025 at 06:33 PM