



Joyce Ann Dissinger

March 2, 1935 - November 25, 2023

Joyce Ann Dissinger passed away peacefully in her sleep Saturday, November 25, 2023 in Spang Crest Manor. Born in Lebanon March 2, 1935 to Russel and Bernice Dissinger, Joyce attended Harding Junior High and was a member of the Lebanon High School Class of 1953. Upon graduation, she entered the workforce by taking a job at WLYH-TV for one year. In 1954 she started her 25-year journalism career with the Lebanon Daily News working initially as a reporter on general assignments. She advanced to be a copy editor and eventually became the Women's Editor of the Women's Section of the paper. Joyce also worked as a stringer for the Patriot News, Lebanon Bureau and part-time at the Merchandiser as a proofreader. In 1979, Joyce began what would be a second career as a staff writer for the Good Samaritan Hospital where she retired after 25 years as the Director of Community Relations.

Joyce's faith in God was very strong and she proved so by working as His servant throughout the community her entire life. She served on various leadership and administrative teams at her church, Trinity United Methodist. She was very passionate about feeding the less fortunate in our community and volunteered with the church's Second Sunday Servings for many years. She was a founding member of the Lebanon Commission For Women, past chairman for the Lebanon County Board of Assistance, past chapter chairman of the American Red Cross, served as a past board director for the American

Heart Association, Lebanon County Unit of the American Cancer Society, and the Human Services Council of Lebanon County. She served as secretary of the board of Quest, the Lebanon County Workshop, for 21 years. She remained an active board member of the Lebanon Community Concert. Joyce was most known for her dedication and love for the Good Samaritan Hospital Auxiliary and Street Fair. Joyce proudly served the auxiliary as recording secretary for decades and volunteered at all 65 GSH Auxiliary Street Fairs.

Joyce had a love for many things and one of them was traveling the world with her friends. She visited many countries, Switzerland and Bermuda being her favorites. Her love for the color purple became her signature later in her life and was known by many as "the purple lady".

She is preceded in death by her parents and twin brother John R. Dissinger. She is survived by her adopted family, Mike, Yvonne, Adam, Alex and Amelia Kuhn, along with her dearest friends Robert Hoffman, Debbie and Bruce Ludwig, George and Carol Hollich, Joni Fegan and Joan Snyder.

A service will be held Saturday, December 2, 2023 at Trinity United Methodist Church, 757 Willow Street, Lebanon, PA. Visitation 10:00 AM, Service at 11:00 AM. Internment at Cornwall Cemetery to follow. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made in her memory to her church, Trinity United Methodist Church. Arrangements entrusted to Porterfield-Scheid Funeral Directors and Cremation Services, Ltd., 890 Isabel Dr., Lebanon, PA 17042. Please visit www.porterfieldscheidfh.com to share on line condolences

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 2. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Trinity United Methodist Church
757 Willow Street
Lebanon, PA 17046

Funeral Service

DEC 2. 11:00 AM (ET)

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757 Willow Street
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Tribute Wall

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“ I will always cherish wonderful memories of Joyce . Through her work at the Daily News she became a close and enduring friend of my Mothers .My Mother shared with me that Joyce was looking to find a another full time job after she left her newspaper work. It was a wonderful mutual pleasure that I invited her to join the staff at Good Samaritan Hospital. From day one, her career there was a great success. And her dedication to the annual street fair was second to none. I will miss my evening visits with “ the purple lady “. A kind and generous woman was our Joyce Dissinger. She will forever live on in the hearts and thoughts of her legion of friends. May she rest in peace.

Bob Hoffman - December 01, 2023 at 04:35 PM

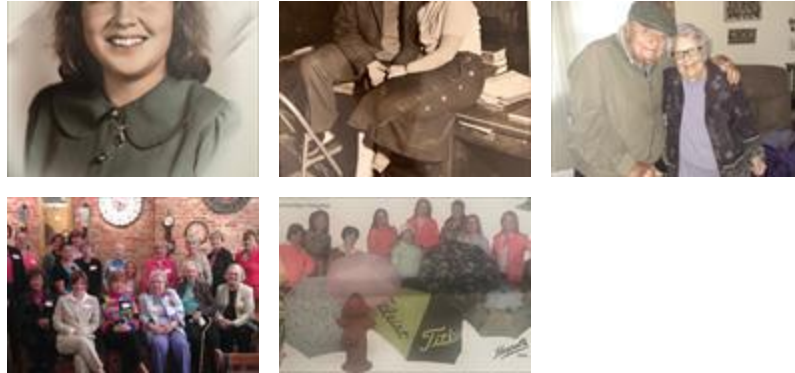
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“ JOYCE WAS MY JUNIOR CHOIR DIRECTOR. I LEARNED SO MUCH FROM HER ABOUT MUSIC . SHE WAS INCREDIBLY PATIENT WITH ALL OF US. ALWAYS VERY STYLISH, THOUGH NOT YET PURPLE, I MET HER IN A CLOTHING STORE ONE DAY. I WAS TRYING ON A CAPE AND NOT VERY SURE I SHOULD PURCHASE IT BECAUSE IT WAS A BIT DIFFERENT. "GET IT . YOU'LL LOVE IT." , SHE TOLD ME . SO I DID PURCHASE IT AND I DID LOVE IT. SHE WAS THE BEST !

serena hewett - November 30, 2023 at 11:05 AM

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“ 25 files added to the album Joyce



Yvonne Kuhn - November 30, 2023 at 07:36 AM

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“ I will always remember Joyce coming to the Quentin Haus with Debbie Ludwig and Bruce!!! Oh how Bruce picked on her! Her smile was the best and always a kiss on the cheek for me!!! She will be missed by all the staff ! We loved you Joyce! Fly high!! ❤️🥺



Margaret Reese - November 29, 2023 at 11:12 PM

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“ My sincere sympathy to Joyce's adopted Family and her dearest Friends. I had the fortune to work at the LDN when Joyce was there and remember the numerous times that Joyce hosted the women at her home for wonderful meals. Joyce was an excellent cook and hostess. Joyce certainly had a full life and her contributions to the organizations she participated are blessed by her having been a part of them.

Fran Light - November 29, 2023 at 06:19 PM