



## Sara H. "Sally" Strause

June 19, 2021

Sara H. "Sally" Strause, 88, of Lancaster, died on Saturday, June 19, 2021, after a brief illness. Born on August 22, 1932 in Huntingdon, Pa., she was the daughter of the late Frederick M. and Estelle (Wiley) Hiles. Her husband, David Strause, preceded her in death in 2016.

A graduate of Mt. Union High School in Mt. Union, Pa., Sally attended Cedar Crest College in Allentown, Pa, and graduated from Valparaiso University in Indiana in 1954. She was previously employed in the accounting department by Yerger Brothers in Lititz.

She was a member of Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Lancaster.

Sally was an accomplished pianist known for her ability to sight-read music. For many years she was the rehearsal accompanist for the annual Broadway-style musical shows produced by the American Business Club ("ABC's") in Lititz.

She is survived by her four children: The Rev. Kurt S. Strause, husband of Lois Strause of Lancaster, PA; Ann S. Taylor, wife of Orville Taylor of LaPlata, MD; Dr. Roger H. Strause, husband of Lisa Strause of Lancaster, PA; and Carol L. Strause of Charlotte, NC. "Gram" as she was affectionately known, is also survived by six grandchildren: Renata Strause, wife of John Gardosik; Dietrich Strause; Elizabeth Strause, partner of Matthew DeJesus; Emma Strause; Emily Meadows, wife of Kenny Meadows; and Spencer Taylor, husband of Jessica Taylor; as well as five great-grandchildren: Riley and Reagan Taylor, Leah and Owen Meadows, and Layla DeJesus.

A Graveside Service will be held on Friday, June 25, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. at St. Thomas Cemetery in Bernville, Pa. with The Rev. Dr. Stephen P. Verkouw presiding.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 540 W. Walnut Street, Lancaster, PA, 17603.

# Events

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**JUN** **Graveside** 02:00PM

**25**

St. Thomas Cemetery

Bernville, PA, US

# Comments

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“ Dear Ann, Kurt, Roger, and Carol,  
I am so sad to hear of your mom's passing. Please accept my most sincere condolences. I enjoyed your mom so much - both your parents actually. What great people they were... interesting, funny, smart. And they raised some really good kids too! Hard to believe we've known each other since 1966! Please know that I am thinking of you all in this difficult time. Sending you my love, Tom Gibble

**Thomas Gibble** - June 23 at 05:56 PM

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“ To Kurt, Roger, Ann and Carol, our very deepest sympathy. I will miss having your mother in my life, my link to our childhood and a good friend thru many years. We met in kindergarten and were best friends all thru those early years, stayed in contact thru many geographical moves on both our parts, and were still visiting at Homestead, laughing about some of the trouble we got into as kids in Mt Union and eating way too much chocolate candy. I was a bridesmaid in your parents' wedding and then they moved to Oregon. They moved back to Lititz shortly before Carol was born, and they left you three older ones at our house while your mother went to the hospital to have Carol. We used to take Maggie and "Baby Carol" with us to lunch at the Glass Kitchen. You kids played under the table while we talked. Your mother was a strong, resilient, fun loving woman, very talented, intelligent, a book lover, a musician, always a part of my life, and I will miss her and always love her. I know you will cherish her memory and her legacy to you, she loved you all so dearly, talked to me about you and how proud you made her. Love from gere and me and prayers always. Peggy Frailey

**Peggy Frailey** - June 22 at 08:53 AM