



Betty L. Leaman

November 9, 2016

Betty died November 9, 2016 at Brethren Village. She was born in the rural western Pennsylvania village of Cramer on April 28, 1929 to Lillian and Joseph Griffith. She continued to prefer country living her entire life.

She was the wife of James Smith Leaman who died March 22, 2012 and mother of two daughters living in Lancaster, PA: Nadine Leaman, (husband Tim Poulos) and Barbara Leaman; three grandchildren in Lancaster: Evan Mellott (wife Pam Koser), Caitlin Schlinkman; Brittany Hart (husband Rich Hart), and one great grandchild. She is survived by brother, David Griffith (wife Patti Hall) of Cramer, PA and sister, Sandy Griffith of Johnstown, PA; sister-in-laws: Barbara Griffith, Eunice Schlegelmilch, Kay Leaman and Norma Leaman, and two generations of nieces or nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, brothers Richard, Donald, Gilbert, and James; sister Jocelyn Adams.

Betty moved to Lancaster following high school as part of RCA work force recruiting. She shared rooms with girls from Johnstown who also worked at RCA. After marrying Jim, she worked at RCA until her children were born and then became a homemaker. The Leamans lived for 60 years on Leaman Rd. near New Danville. She occasionally had other jobs in her younger years, most notably as a library-aide at Marticville Middle School.

Betty was an excellent seamstress who enjoyed sewing for her family. As a cook, she was known for her apple pie, raisin cake, scalloped potatoes, and beef vegetable soup. She enjoyed knitting, crocheting, reading, putting together puzzles, working in her flowerbeds and watching old movies. Also, she enjoyed spending time at their cabin in Fulton County.

Betty was a member of Conestoga United Method Church.

In keeping with Betty's wishes; the funeral services will be private. The family respectfully requests that anyone wishing to make a Memorial in Betty's name, contribute to the Brethren Village Retirement Community, The Good Samaritan Fund, Attn: Development Dept., 3001 Lititz Pike, Lancaster, PA 17606-5093.

Tribute Wall



“ *Betty L. Leaman*

October 22, 2023 at 11:34 PM



“ *Barb you and family are in my prayers*

margie - November 15, 2016 at 06:00 AM



“ *Nadine, Barb & families,
It's never easy to lose a parent. As time goes on, go to the "memory garden" in your mind and treasure the beautiful memories there of your parents. Prayers for you all.*

ssmoker - November 14, 2016 at 11:52 AM



“ *Sharing in the loss of your Mom, Grandma, and Great Grandma. I'm glad we were able to share many family times together. She will be missed.*

Flora Poulos - November 14, 2016 at 09:44 AM



“ *Barb, Nadine and families: So sorry to read about the passing of your mother. Sending condolences to all of you. Karen and Rick Fralich*

karen fralich - November 13, 2016 at 08:08 PM

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“ I forgot to put the word camping in there.

Ann Conroy Humer

Ann Conroy Humer - November 13, 2016 at 06:13 PM

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“ I was a neighbor of Jim and Betty. A few times we took her daughters Nadine and Barbara (one at a time) with us. My condolences to the family.

Ann Conroy Humer

Ann Conroy Humer - November 13, 2016 at 06:12 PM

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“ One of my earliest memories of Aunt Betty is learning that she had made a set of curtains in your house. My mom made lovely clothes for us kids, but to know that someone could actually make their own curtains! I'd never thought of that. Silly for a kid, but there you have it.

I can hear her saying, "Oh, Jim," when your dad would do something we kids thought was hilarious (so that was often) that she didn't think was as funny. Her bemused expression over it all would make us laugh even more. Your mom was more serious than her brothers!

Rosemary - November 13, 2016 at 12:41 PM

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“ When I was young and still living at Uncle Alvon's farm with my parents, Betty asked me to take down the wash which was dry. I was to receive a quarter for my labors. When I had half the wash down, Betty came out to tell me that I was folding it wrong and showed me how to do that. To this day, I still fold my laundry that way and think of Betty every time I do that.

Nancy Leaman Bert - November 13, 2016 at 07:03 AM



Cousin Nancy, thank you so much for this story. I also fold my laundry just the way Mom taught me to fold it.

Nadine Leaman - November 13, 2016 at 10:03 AM