



Carmelita "Carmie" Keiser

October 12, 2024

Carmelita "Carmie" Keiser, 79, of Lancaster, PA, went home to be with The Lord on Saturday, October 12, 2024, with her family by her side. She was the daughter of Carmen and Helen (Angelini) DeGregorio. She was the loving wife of Thomas E. Keiser for 56 years.

Carmie was a good and faithful servant, attending church was nonnegotiable, whether it was on a cruise, or on a desert in Aruba during her travels with her husband, she attended Saint Joseph Catholic Church, Lancaster and St. Peter Catholic Church in Elizabethtown.

Carmie graduated from Lancaster Catholic H.S and then earned her Bachelor's degree from Millersville University in Education. She taught first grade at Rossville Elementary for five years. Carmie began a 25 year career at Verizon beginning in the sales department and transferring to becoming a technician in the field. After retirement, she took part in several organizations including, The Literacy Council as a tutor, where she assisted families with the process to obtain citizenship, The Fulton Opera House as an Usher, and The Penn Dutch Pacers as a volunteer coordinator.

During her free time, Carmie enjoyed spending time with friends and family, puttering about the garden and loved to cook and eat. Some of her specialties included spaghetti sauce, and old fashion recipes.

In addition to her husband, Carmelita is survived by a son, Douglas Keiser, a daughter, Michelle Cramer, and a granddaughter, Rose Cramer. In addition to her parents, Carmelita is preceded in death by two brothers, Anthony and Ralph DeGregorio, and one sister, Dolores Kane.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend Carmie's Memorial Service at Saint Joseph Catholic Church, 440 Saint Joseph Street, Lancaster, PA 17603 on Friday, October 25, 2024, at 1:00 p.m. The family will receive friends from 12 noon until the time of service. Interment will be held at St. Joseph's New Catholic Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions in Carmie's name may be made to Hospice & Community Care, 685 Good Drive, Lancaster, PA 17601, and Michael J. Fox Foundation, P.O. Box 5014, Hagerstown, MD 21741.

Cemetery Details

Saint Josephs New Roman Catholic Cemetery

175 Charles Road
Lancaster, PA 17603

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **25**. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

St. Joseph Catholic Church
440 Saint Joseph Street
Lancaster, PA 17603

Memorial Service

OCT **25**. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *The Groffs Family Funeral and Cremation Services Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Carmelita "Carmie" Keiser*



The Groffs Family Funeral and Cremation Services Inc - October 23, 2024 at 04:18 PM

SB

Deepest Sympathy to Uncle Tom, cousins; Doug, Michelle, and family.

Rest in Peace Aunt Carmie. I'll always remember the fun times we had with you. Especially when you willingly shared your bed with me and Sue, on our weekends with you, Nanny, and Bob.

You will always be in my heart.

Love, Steff

Stephanie Bootie - October 25, 2024 at 02:46 PM

KS

“ *Carmie and I have been friends since first grade at St. Anthony's. Whenever my husband and I got to Lancaster, we would get together with her and Tom and some other close friends. We'll miss seeing her in the future. I was privileged to see her about a week before she died. It was a chance to say goodbye. You'll always be in my memory, good friend. Kathy Kirsch Smith, Washington D.C.*

Kathy Smith - October 26, 2024 at 10:25 AM

KW

“ *To the Keiser Family.....I worked with Carmie when I first started at Verizon back in 1988. She was always so kind to me and her smile always made me smile. My condolences. Kim (Ackerman) Worley*

Kim Worley - October 25, 2024 at 09:23 AM

MH

“ *Carmie, you were such a wonderful friend to me. I knew I could always confide in you and you would always give me comfort and never be judgemental. I was so sad when you became ill and it was difficult to see you suffer. But you did so with dignity and never stopped caring for others. I know your family will miss you terribly but I know they have wonderful memories to help them.*

Michele Hess - October 25, 2024 at 05:35 AM



“ *2 files added to the album Life Tributes*



The Groffs Family Funeral and Cremation Services Inc - October 23, 2024 at 12:08 PM

MD

“ Sad news indeed. Another good friend from the Class of 63 is gone. It is a shame that after HS everyone goes their separate ways and ours paths rarely ever cross again. Have not seen Carmalita since 1963.

To her family, everyone that knew her in HS liked her. Just a good kid.

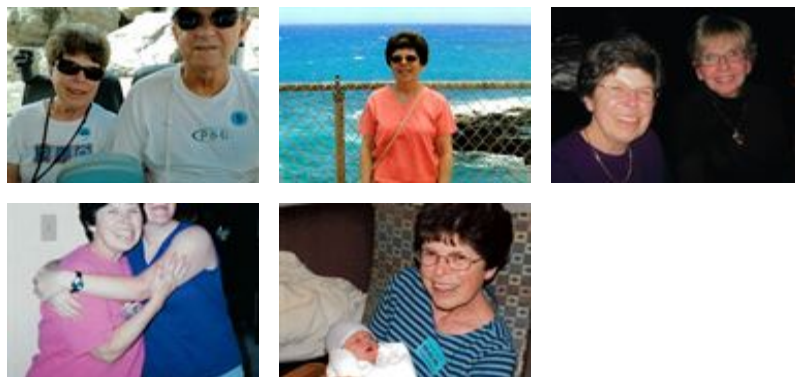
Hope her faith based journey into the future is as rewarding as her time on earth was.

Michael Dyer "63

Michael Dyer - October 20, 2024 at 06:55 PM



“ 17 files added to the album LifeTributes



The Groffs Family Funeral and Cremation Services Inc - October 18, 2024 at 03:46 PM

RR

“ My old friend, Tom. I am so sorry to hear of your loss. I was glad we got to talk some at the class reunion, but I didn't know of your wife's difficulties then. I would have given you a hug instead of a handshake. Please consider this little note a hug from me and take care, my friend.

Robert Reed - October 17, 2024 at 09:06 AM