



Carolyn Jean Bulson

May 17, 2011

Carolyn Jean Bulson, 83 of Lancaster, died at Lancaster General Hospital on Sunday, May 15, 2011.

A well known flutist and teacher, she lived at Woodcrest Villa, (formerly of Forest Road) Lancaster, PA.

She was the wife of Walter T. Bulson, retired Senior Staff Engineer from Armstrong World Industries. In June, they would have celebrated their 62nd anniversary.

Born in Gloversville, NY, she was the daughter of the late Arthur W. Longfritz and Ruth Peters Longfritz.

An honor graduate of the State University of New York at Potsdam, she taught school in Tappan, NY. While in Rockland County, she was principal flutist with two symphony orchestras and taught flute privately.

She studied flute with Gerald Rudy of the NBC Radio Orchestra and with John Wummer, principal flutist of the NY Philharmonic Orchestra for 20 years. She had been involved in Master Classes with Geoffrey Gilbert, James Galway, etc.

Moving to Lancaster in 1955, she became a member of the Lancaster Symphony Orchestra of the Lancaster Opera Company, Actors Co. of PA orchestra, and played in the orchestras for Kiwanis shows, dinner theaters, Franklin and Marshall choral presentations, the F&M Band, the Lancaster City Band, and many church occasions.

She played with the Reading Symphony, Reading Woodwind Quintet, Regional Symphony, and the Lancaster Pops Orchestra.

Through her efforts, the MUSIC IN THE SCHOOLS programs became a part of all the schools in IU 13. She coordinated all the programs in Lancaster and Lebanon counties, as well as playing in Reading City and Berks County schools, too.

Carol was the leader of the Lancaster Woodwind Quintet, served as a flute instructor at Millersville University, a member of the Lancaster Community Concert Board of Directors, Lancaster Youth Symphony Board, faculty of the Lancaster County Music Camp, and was a past president of the Musical Art Society.

She was the recipient of the Danforth Leadership Award, Most Outstanding Musician Award, mathematics and music awards; was chosen for scholastic and journalistic honor societies in high school and college, and was college Student Council president. She received a scholarship from the Rockland Symphony, the Girl Scout Thanks Badge, and a Lancaster County Women's Table Tennis Championship.

She is the author of the childrens book, CHILDREN IN WONDERLAND.

She is listed in WHO'S WHO IN THE EAST, WHO'S WHO OF AMERICAN WOMEN, INTERNATIONAL WHO'S WHO IN MUSIC, COMMUNITY

LEADERS AND NOTEWORTHY AMERICANS.

Active for many years in the Penn Laurel Girl Scout Council as a vice president, camp director, district chairman, delegate, leader, etc., she initiated and coordinated, with the Lancaster Opera Company, sixteen presentations of the folk opera DAISY, by Julia Smith, presented at the Fulton Opera House and in Allentown.

She was instrumental in saving and preserving the Foxfire House at Camp Furnace Hills, a very popular program center used for local and national Girl Scout events.

She was a member of the National Flute Association, The Piccolo Society, Lancaster Music Teachers Association, PA Music Teachers Assoc. , Music Teachers National Assoc., PA Federation of Music Clubs, National Federation of Music Clubs, Lancaster Symphony Personnel and Program Committees, Locals 294 and 135-211 of the American Federation of Musicians, Auxiliary of Lincoln Chapter of PA Society Professional Engineers, etc.

Carol had a private flute studio in her home in Lancaster.

She was a member of Westminster Presbyterian Church, where she served as Director of the Westminster Flute Choir and flute soloist.

Surviving, besides her husband, are two daughters; Linda R, wife of Galen Kauffman of Lancaster, and Nancy G., wife of retired Air Force Lt. Colonel Willis Shanor, of Edmond, Oklahoma, and two grandchildren; Stephanie Shanor and Andrew Shanor. Other survivors include a sister and brother-in-law, Doris Longfritz Mehne and Paul Mehne, of Mendenhall, PA and nephews and nieces.

Family and friends are invited to attend Carolyn's Memorial Service at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 2151 Oregon Pike, Lancaster, PA on Monday, May 23, 2011 at 2:30 p.m. with Dr. Michael A. Rogers officiating. The family will receive friends at the church from 1:00 p.m. until the time of the service. Private interment will be in Westminster Presbyterian Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, Memorials may be made in Carolyn's name to Westminster Presbyterian Church, 2151 Oregon Pike, Lancaster, PA 17601-4604, Mennonite Home Communities, 2001 Harrisburg Pike, Lancaster, PA 17601.

Tribute Wall



“ *Carolyn Jean Bulson*

October 22, 2023 at 11:34 PM



“ *Mrs Bulson will be dearly missed. Not only was she my flute teacher, but also a wonderful friend and someone I looked up to. I took lessons from her for many years and played in the flute choir at her church. My thoughts and prayers are with Walt and their family. I will never forget all of the things she taught me about the flute and life lessons as well. I am honored I will be able to play with the flute choir at her memorial service. I know she will be watching over us. God has an amazing angel in heaven now!*
Carlissa

Carlissa - May 20, 2011 at 01:33 AM

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“ Dear Bulson Family,
My daughter Lynn was a student of your Mom's for many years. We arrived her from Michigan with no music at her school and Lynn was already playing flute. She was the only student in her class playing a instrument and then we found Carol. Lynn was her student all the way through her senior year and even played in the orchestra in Elizabethtown. I can remember sometimes sitting on the driveway at her house listening to my daughter play and your mother guiding her through her lessons. Lynn always did well in competitions thanks to your Mom's guidance. Shea was a wonderful teacher. Whenever I would see your mom in a store she would always ask about Lynn. She always remembered her name. I just want to say some of the best times I ever spent was on that driveway listening to my daughter play with your Mom's guidance. Thank-you for sharing your mom with us and your wife with us.
Sincerely,
Charlotte Rossi

charlotte Rossi - May 19, 2011 at 09:36 AM

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“ Carol Bulson was my music teacher and inspiration from sixth grade til my high school graduation. She truly was an amazing teacher and friend and she inspired me to pursue my music seriously. I will miss her and her red sneaker and warm smile. She truly was a talented and wonderful woman. Her gift of inspiration, musical technique and creativity will live on forever.

Lynn Rossi - May 19, 2011 at 08:54 AM

CM

“ To the family of Carol Bulson,
Mrs. Bulson always remained my flute teacher even after I actively took lessons from her in my youth. I returned to her after many years to brush up on a dusty skill set so I could play with local groups. She would make it a point to come to my concerts, usually when I'd be playing with a group at the Mennonite Home. She always had an encouraging word or kind remark to say about a piece we played which I so appreciated even at my age. I will miss seeing her. She gave me confidence and encouragement to play no matter what my ability was at the time and for that I will always be thankful.

Please accept my deepest sympathy but know she inspired and delighted so many people with her talents,
Cherl Myers

Cherl (Bailey) Myers - May 19, 2011 at 05:52 AM

PK

“ Dear Linda and Nancy,

I remember when your mother was our girls scout leader many years ago. I just read her obituary. You must be so proud of all her talent and accomplishments.

With sincere sympathy,
Penny (Sheckard) Kulp

Penny (Sheckard) Kulp - May 18, 2011 at 10:03 PM