



Dolly M. Baum

April 7, 2025

Dolly M. Baum, 91, of Elizabethtown, PA, entered eternal rest at Masonic Village on Monday, April 7, 2025. Born in Elizabethtown, she was the daughter of the late Miller M. and Edith M. (Brinser) Messick and the loving wife of Clair G. Baum celebrating 72 years of marriage to each other. They were introduced by their parents and met in Sunday School.

While attending Elizabethtown High School, Dolly played first chair clarinet in the Band and Orchestra. Upon graduation, she worked for Bell Telephone in Harrisburg, and as a Teller at First National Bank. She served many roles at Baum's Bologna for many years, including payroll and anything a family business needed to succeed. Dolly was a life-long member of Elizabethtown Church of The Brethren. At church, she volunteered in cradle roll and helped with offertory collections. Additionally, she gave of her time to Meals on Wheels .

Dolly was an amazing mother and made every holiday special, whether big or small, with her excellent cooking and baking, or decorating skills and gifts. She and Clair enjoyed gardening, and spending time in Ocean City, MD. Her preference was on the beach and his was on the sea, but it always worked out perfectly! They always met in the middle and demonstrated true love!

In addition to her husband, Clair, she is survived by her daughter, Beverly A.

(John) Schantz, Lancaster, son, Dan M. (Jennifer) Baum, Elizabethtown, son, Thomas A. (Elaine) Baum, Mount Gretna, three grandchildren: Ryan, Megan and Samuel, six great-great-grandchildren: Hailey, Mya, Coszette, Alana, Mason and Claire.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend Dolly's Funeral Service at Elizabethtown Church of the Brethren, 777 S. Mount Joy Street, Elizabethtown, PA 17022 on Tuesday, April 15, 2025, at 11:00 a.m. with Pastor Liz Bidgood Enders officiating. The family will receive friends from 10:00 a.m. until the time of service. Interment will be at West Green Tree COB Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Dolly's name may be made to St. Jude's and Elizabethtown Church of the Brethren.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 15. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Elizabethtown Church of the Brethren
777 S. Mount Joy Road
Elizabethtown, PA 17022

Funeral Service

APR 15. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *The Groffs Family Funeral and Cremation Services Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Dolly M. Baum*



The Groffs Family Funeral and Cremation Services Inc - April 14, 2025 at 02:50 PM

RH

“ *My condolences to Claire and his family. It's been decades, but I have very fond memories. May God and His angels wrap you all in their love.*

*Randy Hall
(Newcombe Lake)*

Randall J Hall - July 01, 2025 at 04:03 PM



“ 8 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



The Groff's Family Funeral and Cremation Services Inc - April 14, 2025 at 02:47 PM

PM

“ *Clair - We have such wonderful memories of our meals together on Sundays after church. You became such an important part of our life. I am always grateful that we invited ourselves to join you at our first breakfast. Dolly was always so interested in sharing our life and keeping up on changes. Dolly was a caring person who will be greatly missed! Peggy and Bob McFarland*

Peggy and Bob McFarland - April 11, 2025 at 04:04 PM



“ 40 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



The Groffs Family Funeral and Cremation Services Inc - April 11, 2025 at 01:58 PM

DS

“ *Clair, Bev, Tom and Dan,*

I am so sorry to hear about Dolly. She was a sweet lady and was always very nice to me.

Dave Shellenberger

David Shellenberger - April 11, 2025 at 01:32 PM

KM

“ *I didn't know her. But, my Grandpa used to raise beef and sell them to Baum's. They were one of his best customers. It was always fun going along to deliver the steers. They would always give us samples of bologna.*

Karen Mull - April 11, 2025 at 01:22 PM

MW

“ Dolly was my oldest cousin. Her father was my mother's brother. I grew up in Elizabethtown. I have many wonderful memories of visiting her mother and dad. I graduated from Elizabethtown high school in 1974 with her son Dan. Baum's Baloney was a family favorite! We'd visit Dolly and Clair at their home to get Baloney! Condolences to Bev, Dan and Tom.
Martha Aldinger-Wess



Martha Wess - April 10, 2025 at 06:06 PM

JM

“ Jeffrey & Michael Miller planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dolly M. Baum.

Jeffrey & Michael Miller - April 10, 2025 at 12:54 PM

JM

“ Jeffrey & Michael Miller purchased the Beautiful i n Blue for the family of Dolly M. Baum.



Jeffrey & Michael Miller - April 10, 2025 at 12:54 PM

LR

“ Dear Tom and Elaine -
My sincere condolences on the passing of your mother. May all your treasured memories help to bring you peace and comfort through all the days ahead.

Larry Roskos - April 10, 2025 at 10:31 AM

CS

“ *Dolly was always so kind to me over the years and she will be missed. Rest in Peace dear friend. Carol Stark*

Carol Stark - April 10, 2025 at 06:36 AM

DM

“ *Dolly was the closest thing I had to a sister - we were first cousins. We spent time with Clair and Dolly throughout our lives and Bill worked at Baum's Bologna for over 20 years. There was 10 years difference in our ages, but that never mattered when we were together. There is only one other first cousin of mine left and she is 91 also. I will greatly miss Dolly but I'm sure she's in a better place for eternity! Donna Moore*

Donna M Moore - April 09, 2025 at 08:47 PM