



Eileen E. Killian

January 30, 2023

Eileen E. Killian, of Lancaster, PA, passed away on Monday, January 30, 2023. She was the daughter of the late Luther E. and Jennie P. Killian, for whom she was a faithful caregiver in later years.

She graduated in 1962 from Penn Manor High School, where she was active in all things musical, co-wrote the Alma Mater and lead the Varsity cheerleaders. Eileen's musical life continued at Susquehanna University, where she graduated with honors, lead the S.A.I. chorus, performed on piano and organ, and began composing especially sacred vocal works.

Always eager to share the gift of music, in the course of her life, she taught in the Penn Manor school system, directed music at Camp Nawakwa, offered programs at Perkins School and injury groups, and served as organist/choir director within various denominations, including locally St. Andrew U.C.C., Saint Catherine's, and Bethany Presbyterian., and internationally, with the Sisters of the Good Shepherd in Winnipeg, Canada. She also lent assistance to Gunther Schuller at NEC and toured in the New York production of "1776". In addition to music, she was known for her deep faith, warm encouragement, and ever-flowing creativity.

Eileen is survived by her brother, Luther "Lou" Killian (Lynne); her sister, Amelia "Amy" Killian; and her beloved nieces, nephews, and cousins.

A Funeral Service will be held at Ascension Lutheran Church, 600 E. Penn Grant Rd., Willow Street, PA 17584 on Monday, February 6, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. Friends are welcome to greet the family at 10:00 a.m. Interment will follow at Riverview Burial Park.

Cemetery Details

Riverview Burial Park

South Duke Street
Lancaster, PA 17603

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 6. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Ascension Lutheran Church
600 E. Penn Grant Street
Willow Street, PA 17584

Funeral Service

FEB 6. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Eileen E. Killian*

October 22, 2023 at 11:34 PM



“ *Dear Amy, You may not remember me but my name is Lisa and I worked for Loeffler-Pitt Dental Associates. I always enjoyed Eileens visits. We'd talk about our homes and especially decorating around Christmas time. So sorry for your and your brothers loss.*

LISA BUFFENMYER - February 11, 2023 at 11:26 AM



“ *Maureen (Foltz) Cardwell
Spent many days as.a Friend of Eileen's at her home and graduated in 1962 with her. Lou and Amy, may your memories bring you peace in the coming days*❤️

Maureen Foltz Cardwell - February 11, 2023 at 09:38 AM



“ *I'm Jim Lawrence (Penn Manor '63.) Sorry to hear of Eileen's passing. Even though I did not know her well I remember her as someone who was a definite asset to the school and I appreciated the Alma Mater she and June co-wrote. (Also recall her brother Luther.)*

Jim Lawrence - February 04, 2023 at 08:17 AM

JH

“ My name is Janice and I knew Eileen at Camp Nawakwa the summer of '67 . I always enjoyed talking with her and subbed for her one week in the music area when she had another commitment . I did not know before the wide scope of her music activities in her life ! She was very creative and a personable person . Heaven will surely use her talents !

Janice Hackman - February 03, 2023 at 02:07 PM

CH

“ My name is Charleen and I had the pleasure of meeting Eileen through Amy at Peabody many years ago. From this meeting Eileen and I developed a friendly relationship. What I will miss is Eileen calling me every year on my birthday which is on February 18th. to sing happy birthday to me. It saddens me that I will no longer hear her voice singing happy birthday to me. She was such a kind and caring person.

Charleen - February 03, 2023 at 01:03 PM

SS

“ I dated Eileen at Susquehanna and we had some good times there. I was unaware that she had done so much to further music appreciation. I had no idea then, living upstate that I would move close to where she lived later. She will certainly be a leader in heaven, if there is such a place. She was very kind and caring.
Love, Stan Stahl

Stanley Stahl - February 03, 2023 at 11:25 AM

RM

During this Holy Week of Passover and Easter I hold my memories of Eileen close in my heart, grateful for our time together when young and in awe of her goodness and grace as she (and I) aged. May her soul be bound up in the bond of life. May her memory comfort Luke and Amy and your family. Rabbi Rim Meiorowitz

Rabbi Rim Meiorowitz - April 05, 2023 at 10:05 AM

DJ

“ I was a friend and deeply influenced by your dad through whom I met Eileen. Eileen was such a creative person. Also through your dad, I came to know both of you, Luke and Amy. I have been immensely enriched by knowing your family. May God give you His peace as you remember Eileen and your family.

Warmly, Don Johns

Don Johns - February 03, 2023 at 08:48 AM

JC

“ Jessica and John Cook purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Eileen E. Killian.



Jessica and John Cook - February 02, 2023 at 07:19 PM