



## Elizabeth A. Shirk

February 24, 2024

Elizabeth A. Shirk, 79, of Lancaster, passed away peacefully with her family by her side on Saturday, February 24, 2024. Betty was born in Lancaster and was the daughter of the late Leo P. and Elizabeth Goebel Nikolaus. She was married to James R. Shirk for 59 years.

Betty graduated from Lancaster Catholic HS and went on to work in retail at Watt & Shand and JCPenney. She had many interests including playing cards with family and friends, reading her Kindle and going out for breakfast. She was a regular attendee at the American Music Theatre, enjoying all live music, but especially the oldies artists.

Betty was known for her love of children, her kindheartedness, and her generosity. She was a member of St. Leo's the Great Catholic Church in Lancaster.

In addition to her husband, Betty is survived by her son, Andrew J. Shirk (Michelle Smith) of East Petersburg; her brother, Leo P. Nikolaus (Wanda) of Lancaster, her sister, Kathleen Laudenberger (Michael) of Millersville and a brother-in-law, Michael P. Judge of Mount Joy. She was preceded in death by her sister, Carolyn Judge.

Family and friends are invited to Betty's Funeral Service at The Groffs Family

Funeral Home, 528 W. Orange Street, Lancaster on Monday, March 4, 2024 at 2:00 p.m. with Deacon Frank A. Kuchinski officiating. A Viewing will be held from 1:00 p.m. until the time of service. Betty will be privately interred at Riverview Burial Park in Lancaster.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a memorial gift in Betty's name to Hospice & Community Care, 685 Good Drive, Lancaster PA 17601.

# Previous Events

## Viewing

MAR 4. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

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## Funeral Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *The Groffs Family Funeral and Cremation Services Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Elizabeth A. Shirk*



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**The Groffs Family Funeral and Cremation Services Inc** - March 04, 2024 at 10:53 AM



“ *I only know Betty as a customer at hodeckers celery. Her and her husband were a delight to wait on. I always liked forward to seeing her. Always pleasant. She'll be missed. ❤️*  
*Dianne Wallace*

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**Dianne Wallace** - March 12, 2024 at 02:56 PM



“ *Betty was a beautiful person inside and out. We will miss our weekly breakfast with her. Our love to Jim and family*

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**Susan Soares** - March 03, 2024 at 10:54 AM



“ 53 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



**The Groffs Family Funeral and Cremation Services Inc** - February 28, 2024 at 03:56 PM



“ *I will treasure so many memories, especially giggles at Elvis. She treated me like a daughter and I am forever blessed.*

**Kimberly Velasquez** - February 28, 2024 at 03:14 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of *Elizabeth A. Shirk.*



February 28, 2024 at 03:10 PM