



Genevieve "Jenne" Louise Renkin

June 21, 2019

Genevieve Louise Renkin, known by everyone as "Jenne", passed away on Friday, June 21st, 2019. She was 71 years of age. Jenne was a lifelong resident of Lancaster and a nurse's aide at Lancaster General Hospital for 48 years. Her biggest passion was genealogy, and she helped hundreds of people research their family histories. She was a Life Member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, the Daughters of the American Colonies, the Daughters of 1812, the Natl. Genealogical Society, Genealogical Society

of Pennsylvania, and many more. Jenne volunteered for Lancaster History.org and the Lancaster Mennonite Historical Society, and was a Walking Tour Guide for the Historic Lancaster Walking Tour for over 40 years.

Jenne was preceded by her parents William S. and Genevieve Conklin Renkin and her brother William Matthew Renkin; and survived by sister Elizabeth "Betty" Jane Renkin of Pittsburg, California; Nephew William Anthony Renkin and Sister-in-law Elaine Renkin, both of Levittown, Pa.

Family and friends are invited to a Visitation on Wednesday, June 26th, 2019 from 5-7:00 p.m. and a Time of Sharing from 7 to 8 p.m. at The Groffs Family and Cremation Services, 528 W. Orange St., Lancaster, PA (corner of W. Orange and Pine St.) Cremation will follow and Burial of cremains at Mellinger Mennonite Cemetery, Greenfield Rd. and Lincoln Highway East, Lancaster, PA on Wednesday, July 3, 2019 at 1:00 p.m.

Cemetery Details

Mellinger Mennonite Cemetery

Lincoln Hwy East
Greenfield Road
Lancaster, PA

Previous Events

Viewing

JUN **26**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

The Groffs Family Funeral and Cremation Services Inc
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Tribute Wall



“ *Genevieve "Jenne" Louise Renkin*

October 22, 2023 at 11:34 PM



“ *Jenne was a comforting presence and a wonderful woman to work with. On my first nursing Job at LGH I had the unique pleasure of working with Jenne. (I will still use some of her signature phrases from time to time "1, 2 up with you" and "time for din-din". She respected her patients and was excellent in communicating with the nursing staff. She was missed when she retired. I am grateful for the opportunity to work with her and get to know her...She was uniquely wonderful!*

*~Stephanie Born, RN, BSN
4 North CoWorker*

Irene Eldridge - August 07, 2019 at 12:07 PM



“ *Jenne and I went to Mannheim Township High School together, many moons ago. We would run into each other all the time either at the hospital or out shopping somewhere and always had nice long chats. I remember when. My husband was Mayor and the DAR was having a luncheon here in Lancaster she invited Charlie and I to join them at the Heritage Museum down town and she gave all the people there little glass roses, but she gave Charlie and I a little vase with 5 red roses in it and I just loved it. Those little roses have been in my corner cupboard in my dining room ever since. A lovely remembrance of her now. With my deepest sympathy,
Debbie (Albright) Smithgall*

Debbie Smithgall - June 29, 2019 at 02:31 PM

HW

“ Heidi Eckert Walker lit a candle in memory of Genevieve "Jenne" Louise Renkin



Heidi Eckert Walker - June 28, 2019 at 10:00 AM

MT

“ No one could walk backwards and give a Walking Tour like Gennie. When we were involved with the Walking Tour, she was our Gal Friday. Always punctual always excited about Lancaster History. I ran in to Gennie when she was researching genealogy at LHO. She talked about those records like she knew the people first hand. Her memory for dates and names was amazing. Mom and I saw Gennie “at work” when Mom had broken her femur. Luckily we were on Gennie’s floor. And she took over helping mom move in and out of bed, etc. When mom realized Gennie was there, mom relaxed and felt like we had a friend. Lancaster has lost a great gal!
With Sympathy, Anne and Marcia Trach

Marcia Trach - June 26, 2019 at 12:55 PM

BV

“ Jenne was so welcoming and always had a story to share. I met Jeanne through the Daughters of the American Revolution and she was always so welcoming. I have fond memories of spring luncheons with Jenne and can tell how much she loved genealogy from our conversations. I am sorry for your loss and Jenne will be missed and remembered fondly.

Beth Valentin - June 25, 2019 at 06:36 PM

CH

“ Carolyn And Jim Holt lit a candle in memory of Genevieve "Jenne" Louise Renkin



Carolyn and Jim Holt - June 25, 2019 at 02:31 PM

CH

“ Dear Family of Jenne,
What an interesting, extraordinary and humble gal! We met through Daughter of 1812 in the last 10 years, contrary to this it felt like I'd known her for years. She will never be forgotten, generous in spirit, sincere in her patriotism and passion for history and a mind "sharp as a tack"!!!
God bless you all now and this day forward,
Carolyn and Jim Holt

Carolyn and Jim Holt - June 25, 2019 at 02:31 PM

ER

Thank you Carolyn for your kinds thoughts I saw your name among Jenne's papers and was not sure how to contact you. I'm glad you got to know Jenne. Thank you again

E. Renkin - June 25, 2019 at 04:33 PM

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E. Renkin - June 25, 2019 at 05:22 AM

JH

Thanks sharing this picture of G. Louise Jenne Renkin.

Janice L Henry - June 25, 2019 at 09:04 AM

SM

Aww, thank you for sharing! She loved her job!

Shannon M. - June 25, 2019 at 09:46 AM

CK

I worked with her at LGH years ago. She was a shining star...

christie kerr - June 26, 2019 at 09:17 AM

JL

“ *May the concern and sympathy of those who care give you comfort at this time of sorrow. Donegal chapter Daughters of the American Revolution.*

Jeanne Lehmann - June 24, 2019 at 09:36 PM

CV

“ *I was new to Pennsylvania when I transferred my DAR membership to the Donegal Chapter. One of my memories was of Jenne welcoming me with the biggest smile and hug, making me feel like I was "home." A bright star that was taken too soon yet she will live in our hearts and memories, lighting up our lives. My sincere condolences to the family with thoughts and prayers of Heaven's newest angel.*

Carol A Viergutz - June 24, 2019 at 06:54 PM

CL

“ Jenny was simply unforgettable. She oriented me at LGH more than 35 years ago. She always had so much energy; she was such an excellent patient care assistant; she could "run circles around" others less than half her age! When I transferred to another unit I really missed her wit! She was so intelligent and had a delightful dry sense of humor. I'm glad I got to know her.

Cindy Larocca

Cindy Larocca - June 24, 2019 at 04:23 PM

SM

“ I'm soo sorry to hear of the passing of dear Jenne. She was truly a wonderful, caring person who connected with people of all ages. I worked with her for years and remember she was always on the go. She never slowed down and I really admired her for that. After she retired, I would randomly call her to check in..that was, if I could catch her at home as she was on the go even after retiring. :) Just a genuine lady. Hi Ho there you go, Dear Jenne! 💕💕

Shannon M. - June 24, 2019 at 11:27 AM

CM

“ I got to know Jenne when I worked in the archives at the Lancaster County Courthouse. I became a member of the Donegal Chapter NSDAR, where Jenne was a member also. For 20 some years we kept telling each other that we need to get together and swap our Killian genealogy information. Well we never did.

Cindy Mercer - June 24, 2019 at 10:41 AM

JH

“ Sweet Jennie with angels now. A good friend, and co worker... She touched so many lives with a positive words... Sending out prayers to her family.

Good Bless
Janice L. Henry

Janice L Henry - June 24, 2019 at 08:38 AM



Amen Janice

Jim Torrens - July 07, 2019 at 04:40 PM



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The Groffs Family Funeral and Cremation Services Inc - June 23, 2019 at 10:35 AM