



## Ida (Billie) Louise Wolf

August 17, 2016

Ida (Billie) Louise Wolf, 96, of Lancaster, passed peacefully, Wednesday, August, 17, 2016, at the home of her granddaughter on a beautiful summer day, knowing that she was surrounded by love after living a long and happy life that impacted thousands of lives in a positive way. Born in Marietta, PA, December 5, 1919, she was the daughter of the late George D. and Effie Shank Billett.

She wed the love of her life, Ralph F. Wolf, on Valentine's Day, 1940 and they shared 71 magical years of marriage together until his death in 2011. She is survived by a daughter, Billie Louise Ruff, a grandson, Jay Wolf (Las Vegas, NV), a granddaughter, Billie-Jayne Cooke (Wess Cooke), and 5 great grandsons: Vincent, Anthony, Joseph, and Dominic Dastra and Wesley Cooke, her sister, Gloria Billett and many nieces, nephews, cousins, and one very special nephew, Ralph Peelor. She was preceded in death by nine siblings.

Billie was a graduate of Millersville State College (now Millersville University) with a degree in education. Over the years she held many jobs, before becoming a successful business woman when she founded the Billie-Ettes baton twirling group. They held national championship titles for 17 years straight and performed all over the east coast. She had over 300 students a week for many years and positively impacted the lives of thousands of people over the years with care and commitment to her students. She also was involved in the band fronts for both Lancaster Catholic and JP McCaskey.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to Celebrate her Life at The Groffs Family Funeral & Cremation Services, Inc., 528 W. Orange at Pine Sts., Lancaster, PA on Monday, August 22, 2016 at 1:00 p.m. with Pastor Wil Canfijn officiating. Interment will be held at Greenwood Cemetery. The family will receive friends at The Groffs on Monday from 12:00 p.m. until the time of service. If desired, memorials may be sent in Ida's and Ralph's memory to Hospice & Community Care, 685 Good Dr., P.O. Box 4125, Lancaster, PA 17604-4125.

# Cemetery Details

## Greenwood Cemetery

Lancaster, PA 17603

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**AUG 22.** 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

The Groffs Family Funeral and Cremation Services Inc  
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## Service

**AUG 22.** 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Ida (Billie) Louise Wolf*

October 22, 2023 at 11:34 PM



“ *My condolences to the family! She will be missed.  
I twirled with Mrs. Wolfe from the ages of 2-12yrs.  
I still to this day talk about her and all the fun we had while waiting  
outside for our turn to practice!  
She was an amazing lady and respected by all who knew her!  
Melissa L. Magwood*

**Melissa (Reed) Magwood** - September 29, 2016 at 09:55 AM



“ *My sincere condolences to the family, Mrs.  
Wolf was the true matriarch of the  
neighborhood.  
I will always have fond memories of her and  
Mr. Wolf teaching us kids about life and what  
it meant to be respectful to others I as I grew from a boy to a man.  
Her positive influences have helped guide my life all these years. I  
will always be grateful and consider myself blessed for knowing her.  
She will truly be missed!*



**Mike Difenderfer** - August 22, 2016 at 01:40 PM

DW

“ *Dianna Wolf Dix & JJ WolfJr~Children:John J WolfSr purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Ida (Billie) Louise Wolf.*



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**Dianna Wolf Dix & JJ WolfJr~Children:John J WolfSr -**  
August 21, 2016 at 11:31 PM

KM

“ *Mrs. Wolf was such a positive influence on my life! I took baton lessons from her for several years in the 1960s; she was encouraging always and helped to increase my confidence in myself. I will always be grateful to her.*

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**Kimberly McGeehan -** August 21, 2016 at 06:49 PM

LC

“ *Best wishes to the family of a unique and successful lady. One I knew long before I knew Billy Louise.*

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**Lou Caccamo -** August 19, 2016 at 07:09 PM

SR

“ *RIP to the most courageous per I have known since I was 4 years old until 17. I was a member of the Billie-Ettes. Billie made us all work hard, but it all paid off at the end . Won many titles and had a great time doing so. I give my condolences to family. Billie is in a peaceful place now with her husband.*

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**Sherry Reynolds -** August 19, 2016 at 11:54 AM

SR

“ RIPto the most courageous and wonderful women that taught me since I was 4 years old until I was 17, she always made her students work hard but it was fun. I wish the best for her granddaughter and family, they did a great job in taking care of her. And for Ralphie, I know they will do the same for him. Sorry for your loss, take care. Mrs. Wolf is in a peaceful place with her husband.



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**Sherry Reynolds** - August 19, 2016 at 11:41 AM



“ Peace Eternal Wreath was purchased for the family of Ida (Billie) Louise Wolf.



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August 18, 2016 at 10:44 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ida (Billie) Louise Wolf.



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August 18, 2016 at 07:06 PM

BJ

“ B. Jay purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Ida (Billie) Louise Wolf.



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**B. Jay** - August 18, 2016 at 06:48 PM

MW

“ *Mabel & Richard Whitley lit a candle in memory of Ida (Billie) Louise Wolf*



**Mabel & Richard Whitley** - August 18, 2016 at 04:56 PM

MA

*We send you Billie Jane abundant love and strength to you and your family in this time of sorrow. We know from your loving postings, that your Grin was a special light and love of your childhood and adult life. May God provide loving strength and continued love to each and everyone of you- love to you dear one.*

**Mabel** - August 18, 2016 at 04:59 PM



“ *My Grin Grin, the strongest woman I've ever known. So proud to be your granddaughter. Happy that you are at peace and in Gramps' loving embrace again. You will forever live in our hearts and I will miss you everyday of my life as will all of "your boys". Thank you for loving us all the way you did.*

**Billie-Jayne Cooke** - August 18, 2016 at 04:31 PM

DF

*So very sorry for your loss She was a beautiful. Woman and I'm so glad I had the chance to meet them both. I always enjoy our chat when she came in to get her car fix . She is the kinda person that on a bad day you was having bright up you and the room.. She always had a beautiful. Smile everytime I seen her. God Bless you May you rest in peace and in your happy place with the love of your life*

**Dawn C Fuchs** - August 21, 2016 at 06:46 PM

GB

“ George and Kimmy Billett purchased the Lily and Rose Tribute Spray for the family of Ida (Billie) Louise Wolf.



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**George and Kimmy Billett** - August 18, 2016 at 03:34 PM