



## Ida M. Wooler

October 16, 2023

Ida M. Wooler, 88, of Lancaster, PA, passed away to be with her Lord and Savior on Monday, October 16, 2023. Born in Philadelphia, PA, she was the daughter of the late Emma Myrtle Squire and John Henry Simpkins.

Ida enjoyed playing music for her friends, family, and community. She was a long-time member of First Baptist Church in Woodbury, NJ. She was the loving wife of Raymond J. Wooler with whom they shared 70 years of marriage.

She is survived by her husband, Raymond; her five children, Gil Wooler (Sue), Rich Wooler (Sara), Debby Finegan (Michael), Nancy Norris, Ida Mae Hangen (Scott); nine grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Ida was preceded in death by her daughter, Wendy Wooler, and son Tim Wooler.

A Graveside Service will be held at Mellinger Mennonite Cemetery, 11 Greenfield Rd, Lancaster, PA 1760 on Saturday, October 21, 2023, at 10:00 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to Calvary Homes, 502 Elizabeth Drive, Lancaster, PA 17603.



# Cemetery Details

## Mellinger Mennonite Cemetery

Lincoln Hwy East  
Greenfield Road  
Lancaster, PA

# Previous Events

## Graveside

OCT **21**. 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

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Lancaster, PA

# Tribute Wall

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“ *She made the best cookies I loved her smile, she has a place in my heart*

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**Joe Madonna** - June 15, 2024 at 11:00 PM



“ *Ida M. Wooler*

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October 22, 2023 at 11:34 PM

BS

“ *Sadness fills my heart as I've learned of "Aunt Ida's" passing. Yet I know there is joy in heaven as she has entered into God's presence. My memories involve all the Woolers and Kipps. I cherish the memories of camping together at Spring Gulch. I'll always remember the fun we had every Christmas night playing games, eating tons of food, and laughing -- a lot!. I remember Aunt Ida for her sense of humor. The house was always filled with activity, and we were always welcomed by Aunt Ida and Uncle Ray. My prayers are with the family.*

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**Bruce Sarfert** - October 19, 2023 at 11:17 AM

JO

“ *As my sister Cathy has stated in this memory page -- The Kipps and Woolers are forever bonded together - through good times and bad times. I used to love visiting my mother with the other Simpkin sisters - Aunt Ida and Aunt Florence - they all had individual shenanigans! ha ha And love Uncle Ray for his great giving and love for all of us . My heart goes out to you - Uncle Ray - and I just wish I could take away the pain you are bearing right now ! Love the family so and you will be continually in my prayers!*

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**Joyce Ostering** - October 18, 2023 at 09:56 AM



“ *Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Ida M. Wooler.*



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October 17, 2023 at 05:35 PM



“ *There are so many wonderful memories that were created by the Woolers and the Kipps. I wish that I could list them all as they mean so much to me but I will list what I can. Our 2 families were always together whether it was in church or at each other's houses for dinner, Easter egg hunts, holiday dinners, eating apple dumplings together or Aunt Idas pork and beans or my favorite-molasses cookies. We went camping together, mainly at Spring gulch or Hidden Acres. We were together in tough times through the deaths of our parents or siblings and good times like weddings or vacations or just hanging out. Music was always a big part of our lives whether playing the organ, piano or singing. We had awesome Simpkins family reunions that I will never forget mainly at Thanksgiving and then in the summer. Through all of these memories, God was the foundation and that spirituality was more important than all of our memories combined! I will greatly miss my Aunt Ida but I know that she is home and the Simpkins sisters are together again and she is suffering no more. I pray that God will grant the family his peace as it is the only peace that lasts and that he will comfort them in ways that only he can. I love you, Aunt Ida,- Cathy Kipp Willey*

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**Catherine Willey** - October 17, 2023 at 04:50 PM

GS

“ Sorry to hear of her passing. She was an excellent Vacation Bible School teacher and director back in the 1970's. Will remember those great times. They would open up their pool to pretty much everyone in the church. I think everyone from the church swam in their pool. She use to sing with my mom (Claire Sweeten) as a duet. I know my mom enjoyed it. She will be missed.

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**Gregg Sweeten** - October 17, 2023 at 04:13 PM