



## Jere P. Ansel

February 18, 2025

Jere P. Ansel, 81, of Lancaster, PA passed away on Tuesday, February 18, 2025, surrounded by his family. He was born in Lancaster, PA to the late Israel Ansel and Minnie Latt. He and his wife Diane Ansel celebrated 57 years of marriage.

Jere graduated from Milton Hershey School in the class of 1960, he then worked at Lancaster Press as a printer for 43 years until retirement.

To know Jere was to love him, he was a character and had a heart of gold. He cherished spending time with his family and was an avid Philadelphia Eagles fan.

In addition to his wife, Diane, Jere is survived by his son Jere M. (Jessica McGrane) Ansel, his daughter Danna Michelle (Thomas) Stephens, three grandchildren Tyler, Dylan, and Tanner, and his faithful dog Brody.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend Jere's Celebration of Life at The Groffs Family Funeral Home, 528 W. Orange Street, Lancaster, PA, on Saturday, February 22, 2025, at 11 a.m. A visitation will be from 10:00 a.m. until the service. Interment will be at Conestoga Memorial Park.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Jere's name could be made to the ASPCA, <https://www.pspca.org/tribute-memorial-gifts>.

# Cemetery Details

## Conestoga Memorial Park

95 2nd Lock Rd  
Lancaster, PA 17603

# Previous Events

## Viewing

FEB 22. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

The Groffs Family Funeral and Cremation Services Inc  
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## Celebration of Life

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# Tribute Wall



“ *The Groffs Family Funeral and Cremation Services Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Jere P. Ansel*



The Groffs Family Funeral and Cremation Services Inc - February 20, 2025 at 05:20 PM

BS

“ *I only knew Jere through Lancaster Press, but he left a lasting impression. He was a 1st rate pressman - very conscientious, witty, and fun - and the customers loved him. Too many stories funny stories remembered. He once told the Audubon people on a press check: “if the birds looked any more realistic, they’d fly off the page” 😭. He truly was one of a kind and my condolences go out to his whole family.*  
*Berni Stadler*

Berni Stadler - February 22, 2025 at 01:29 PM



“ *87 files added to the album LifeTributes*



The Groffs Family Funeral and Cremation Services Inc - February 21, 2025 at 04:54 PM

BB

“ *Jere and I were cousins and grew up having so much fun, he was quite the kidder to all of us, saw him at the dog groomers and we chatted about the old days. Please know that I am sad and thinking about you Diane and his family.*

Brenda Busansky - February 21, 2025 at 09:14 AM

LF

“ Love, Dottie and Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Jere P. Ansel.



Love, Dottie and Family - February 20, 2025 at 10:42 PM

LF

“ Love, Dottie and Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jere P. Ansel.

Love, Dottie and Family - February 20, 2025 at 10:42 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Jere P. Ansel.



February 20, 2025 at 04:23 PM

CB

“ My heart felt condolences to Diane & family. I knew Jere many, many years ago, he & my brother Steve, who passed two years ago, were best friends & shared many good times together. What I remember most is his sense of humor & laugh which made me laugh even if I didn't know what he was laughing about, a really good guy! Rest in peace Jere & I hope when you & Steve meet up you both manage to stay out of trouble!!❤️

Cecile Usher Bechtel - February 20, 2025 at 04:06 PM



“ 206 files added to the album Life Tributes



The Groffs Family Funeral and Cremation Services Inc - February 20, 2025 at 03:59 PM

BD

“ Too soon. Just visited him at the nursing home last week. Took him a beer, had a few laughs, shared some memories. He and Diane were our eat our buddies RIP Jere

Barry Dicely - February 20, 2025 at 01:29 PM



“ SO sorry to hear about the passing of your husband Diane

John Klessinger - February 20, 2025 at 10:27 AM

AR

“ I cannot think of Jere without a smile on my face. From his laughter, sense of humor, love for his family, and larger-than-life personality, he has been a huge part of my life. Our parents playing cards as we played games. The laughter, cursing and joy that filled our houses was a blessing. Even through the busiest of my adult life, if there was an opportunity to cross paths, I would certainly make it happen. I know that Jere is sitting with Dad talking, sharing stories, and telling jokes.

Diane and family. you are in my thoughts and prayers. May peace and love fill your hearts and homes during this difficult time.

We love you always

Ron and Amy Reis

Amy Reis - February 20, 2025 at 10:27 AM

KB

“ Mr. Ansel was also a good funny man. I remember many sleep overs at his house with Dana. Lots of memories of him on he side lines when Dana and I played softball of him yelling. Sorry for your loss Diane, Jerry and Dana.  
Kelly (trimble) Breniser

kelly breniser - February 20, 2025 at 07:52 AM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jere P. Ansel.



February 19, 2025 at 04:23 PM

CH

“ *There are too many memories to share just one so I will only say that he was one of a kind. His filter never existed!*

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**Chris** - February 19, 2025 at 04:10 PM

RC

*I m sorry I can't make the funeral Diane. I have the flu. Sorry for your loss. Ralph in Florida*

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**Ralph Clemens** - February 20, 2025 at 02:01 PM

MV

*So sorry to hear of Jere's passing. Please accept our condolences. Jere brings back fond memories of the Mountville baseball team, when our boys were playing. In sympathy, Mike and Mary Anne Vogt*

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**Mike & Mary Anne Vogt** - February 26, 2025 at 08:04 PM