



## Julie F. Bender

November 16, 2024

Julie Stauffer Bender, 87 years old, of Lancaster, passed away on November 16, 2024. Julie was born in Lancaster PA to the late Samuel W. S. and Anna Scott Stauffer. She was predeceased by her husband Charles A. Bender with whom she celebrated almost 60 years of marriage.

Julie graduated from Upper Leacock High School and received an Associate Degree from Susquehanna University where she was a member of Alpha Delta Pi Sorority. She was employed by Paul R. Davidson M.D. and Wilmac Corporation and cherished her years as a stay-at-home mom and homemaker.

Julie was raised on a dairy farm and belonged to New Holland 4-H Club and Girl Scouts. After her marriage, she was a senior girl scout leader. While residing in E. Lampeter Twp she volunteered for VIA at Fritz Elementary School and the Leola Library. She was a former member of the Hamilton Club, Meadia Heights Golf Club and Venice Golf & Country Club in Florida and a member of the women's 9-hole golf group at both clubs.

A member of Highland Presbyterian Church, she taught Sunday school, served on the Nursery School Board and Hospitality Committees. She was also a former member of Venice Presbyterian Church.

Julie enjoyed music, theater, travel, enjoying many trips to Europe, summers at the Jersey shore, gardening, card club and reading.

A resident of Ware Presbyterian Village, she was an upbeat friend to many and was always ready to help someone in need.

Julie is survived by her daughter, Mary Elizabeth (Betsy) Bender, sisters Virginia Ann Ford (Gary) of Myrtle Beach, SC and Mary Kathryn Ebner (Richard) of Myerstown PA, as well as her much loved extended family.

Services are private and at the convenience of the family.

Memorial contributions may be made in Julie's name to: Presbyterian Senior Living, One Trinity Drive E., Suite 201, Dillsburg, PA 17019 or to Willow Tree Hospice Care, 616 E. Cypress Street, Kennett Square, PA 19348.

# Tribute Wall

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“*Mary H. planted a grove of 5 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Julie F. Bender.*

Mary H. - December 01, 2024 at 07:46 AM

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“*I will forever hear Julie's laugh and lovely voice. She truly was one of my first friends when we moved to Lancaster and exuded a youthfulness and grace I will always cherish. I loved her eagerness to show me the markets and out of the way restaurants in the area! Just thinking about her makes me smile and feel peaceful. She loved you so much Betsy. May you find solace knowing she will always be in your heart.*

Beth Henderson - November 20, 2024 at 11:02 AM

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“*Julie... wow. Julie was one of my favorites. Her smile was contagious & her hugs were so warm. I remember she told me that she wanted to meet my mother and thank her for me, lol, and she did. My mom came to visit Julie and they talk & talked. Betsy my heart is with you and your family. Julie was loved very much so and will be missed.*

Amanda Perez - November 19, 2024 at 09:57 PM

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“*Julie was a joy to be around and lit up a room when she walked in. She had grace and style. I loved helping her pick out outfits. We had many conversations about family, and I know how much she loves you Betsy. Peace be with you.*

Andrea Perez - November 19, 2024 at 03:05 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Mrs. Julie F. Bender.

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November 19, 2024 at 09:57 AM



“ Betsy, my thoughts are with you at this sad time. Just know Julie is at peace and your memories and time will help you find comfort. She was a wonderful mother and you a wonderful daughter. I loved working with her; a great friend. With sincere sympathy, Joanne Duke

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**Joanne D Duke** - November 18, 2024 at 11:08 AM



“ I was saddened to hear of Julies passing. I remember very clearly of her bringing Betsy to the credit department soon after her birth and being the first bank employee allowed to hold her. May she rest in peace. Don Derstler

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**Donald Eugene Derstler** - November 18, 2024 at 11:00 AM