



Rebecca "Becky" Belle Hanna

May 11, 2023

Surrounded by her family, Rebecca "Becky" Belle Hanna passed away peacefully at the age of 83 on Thursday, May 11, 2023, in the apartment she shared with her husband at Landis Homes, Lititz. She was born in Indiana, PA, and was the daughter of the late Emerson James and Augusta Coy Holstein.

A graduate of Blairsville High School in 1958, Becky pursued her passion for caring for others, becoming a registered nurse, and serving at Children's Hospital in Pittsburgh. She was a member at Highland Presbyterian Church.

Becky worked tirelessly for the disenfranchised and advocated fearlessly for the most vulnerable. She led the way in resettling Cambodian families in the Lancaster area and devoted herself to mission work in Nicaragua and Guatemala. As the Executive Director of Sunnyside Housing, she was able to live out her calling to fight for affordable housing in Lancaster City.

Becky was a beautiful soul who loved fiercely and was deeply loved. Her last words were, "I love you. All the way!" Her legacy of love will continue to inspire her family and all who knew her.

Becky leaves behind her husband, James W. Hanna, and four loving children: Anita Hanna, Lisa (Doug) Witmer, David (Brenda) Hanna, and Mark (Amy)

Hanna. She was blessed with nine grandchildren: Ben, Olivia, Bella, Katelyn (John Gilpatrick), James, Audrey, Andrew, Gavin, and Emily, whom she adored. Her younger sister, Sandra (Paul) Libengood lives in Greensburg, PA. Becky was predeceased by her other two siblings, Donna and Emerson. Throughout her life, Becky showed immense love and dedication to her family, brightening their lives in every way. Her children have honored her through the professions they have chosen.

Please join us for Becky's Memorial Service to celebrate her life at the Highland Presbyterian Church, located at 500 E. Roseville Road, Lancaster, PA 17601, on Saturday, June 10, 2023, at 11:00 a.m. with the Rev. Allison Beaulieu officiating. The family will receive friends from 10:00 a.m. until the time of service.

In memory of Becky, please send contributions to Church World Service in Lancaster (cws Lancaster.org/donate/), who work with refugees and immigrants within the Lancaster area, Lancaster Lebanon Habitat for Humanity (Lancasterlebanonhabitat.org/support-habitat/), or Samaritan Counseling Center, 1803 Oregon Pike, Lancaster, PA 17601.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **10**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Highland Presbyterian Church
500 East Roseville Road
Lancaster, PA

Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Rebecca "Becky" Belle Hanna*

October 22, 2023 at 11:34 PM



“ *Roseann and Bill Bellimi purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Rebecca "Becky" Belle Hanna.*



Roseann and Bill Bellimi - June 06, 2023 at 02:46 PM



“ *Dear Jim, Anita, Lisa, David and Mark - our family feels for the loss of Becky in your lives. She was wonderfully friendly, caring and compassionate. She had a loving heart when it came to helping people and her spirit will live on in each of you. My parents, Larry & Sybil, shared a special bond with both Jim and Becky and will miss her dearly.*

We hope that all of you can be comforted by warm memories shared together.

Cindi (Lawrence) and Craig Kimmel

Cindi Kimmel - May 23, 2023 at 02:42 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rebecca "Becky" Belle Hanna.*



May 23, 2023 at 07:27 AM

DR

“ Deborah Rubin lit a candle in memory of Rebecca "Becky" Belle Hanna



Deborah Rubin - May 19, 2023 at 09:13 PM

DR

“ Becky was so very special to our Rubin family. She was my birthing coach when I was in early labor with our daughter, also named Becky. My labor came on quickly and I called her immediately. She rushed over to the house (we lived down the street from the Hanna's) and sat on the floor in the back of the car with me (I could only lay on the seat b/c I was so close to delivery) while Steve drove to the hospital. She was coaching me the whole way. I cannot remember where our 3 year old Jeff ended up, but probably Jim was watching him:). Our third baby, Scott, was born on Thanksgiving Day in 1985. Jeff and Becky celebrated the holiday with Becky, Jim and the Hanna family. What a blessing she was for us and for the greater Lancaster community. She will be missed by many. There's a new angel in heaven now praising the Lord.

Wishing you all peace and comfort in the happy memories of Becky. Sending love and hugs to Jim, Anita, Lisa, David and Mark from Debbie, Steve, Jeff, Becky and Scott Rubin.

Deborah Rubin - May 19, 2023 at 09:12 PM

CO

“ Dear Jim, we are so sorry to hear of your loss. We worked with Becky together to assist a Cambodian family in the early 80's. She was a loving woman who worked tirelessly to help people. Art and Chris O'Connor

Christine O'Connor - May 19, 2023 at 09:24 AM

RB

“ *May God’s abundant blessings, love, and healing be with Jim and his family for their great loss!*

Reba And Bob Bolinger - May 18, 2023 at 12:05 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rebecca "Becky" Belle Hanna.*



May 17, 2023 at 11:24 PM

LP

“ *To Jim, Anita, David, LISA and Mark, thinking of each one of you as you grieve and remember this incredible woman, Becky. you all chipped in to make her final years be enjoyable by showing up! I know she will live in your hearts forever. Love, Linda Peacock*

Linda PEACOCK - May 17, 2023 at 03:17 PM

AA

“ *Dear Jim, I was so sorry to learn of Becky's death. May God bless you and your family during this sad time. Love, Ann Altimare*

Ann Altimare - May 17, 2023 at 12:32 PM