



Sandra Lucille Kauffman Womeldorf

November 2, 2025

Sandra Lucille Kauffman Womeldorf, 92, of Lancaster, PA, passed away peacefully at Masonic Village on Sunday, November 2, 2025. Born in Lewistown, PA, as the daughter of the late Howard Junius Kauffman and Lucille Woomer Kauffman.

Sandra was a proud 1951 graduate of Lewistown High School, where she excelled academically and was actively involved in school and community life. She was a member of the Acapella Choir and District Chorus, a Senior Girl Scout, and part of the YMCA Leaders Corps. She served as Yearbook Editor and was honored with both the English Award and the Pennsylvania Senatorial Scholarship Award for Mifflin County.

In 1955, Sandra graduated from West Chester University with Honors, earning a B.S. in Elementary Education. During her college years, she served in Student and Dormitory Council and was passionate about aquatics and children's programming. She directed the Women's Recreation Association swimming program, taught community children's programs, served as a Certified Red Cross Water Safety Instructor, and led swim instruction and lifeguard training for the Red Cross and YMCA.

Sandra devoted her life to education and to nurturing young minds. She began her teaching career in Haverford, PA (1955–1957), and later in Lewistown, PA (1957–1959). In 1959, she married the love of her life, Donald W. Womeldorf, with whom she shared 53 wonderful years until his passing in April 2011. Together, they lived in Lancaster, PA, Brockton, MA, and Mount Joy, PA, where Sandra lovingly dedicated herself to their family during their early years together.

Once her children were school-aged, Sandra returned to teaching with great enthusiasm. She taught preschool at St. John's Church (1968–1973), becoming Director in 1971. From 1973 until her retirement in 1993, Sandra taught elementary school at East Petersburg Elementary School, where her warm and caring nature left a lasting impression on countless students who fondly returned to visit her through the years.

During retirement, Sandra enjoyed traveling the world, swimming, reading, gardening, fishing, and spending treasured time with her family. She delighted in her role as mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother and cherished visits with her Amish friends. A lifelong Penn State and Phillies fan, Sandra rarely missed cheering for her favorite teams.

Sandra was a dedicated member of Trinity Lutheran Church in Lancaster since 1959, where her faith guided and enriched her life.

She is survived by her loving sons, Craig of Port Matilda, PA, and Marc of Stevensville, MD; her five grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband and parents.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Sandra's honor could be made to Trinity Lutheran Church, 31 S. Duke Street, Lancaster, PA 17602. <https://trinitylanaster.org/give/>

A Private Memorial Service will be held at the family's convenience. Interment will be private.

Cemetery Details

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

31 S. Duke Street
Lancaster, PA 17602

Tribute Wall

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“ I am so sorry to learn that Sandra has died. She and I were close friends in high school, we lived around the corner from each other in Lewistown and walked to school together and to ball games along with the other girls in "our gang." Your mother and your grandmother was beautiful, a tall girl with beautiful black hair and a smile that lit up the room. And probably one of the smartest ones in our class. Always organized, school work in on time, and I remember she liked to go to bed early and I remember that she liked to take naps. Maybe that became a life long pleasure for her! We went off to different colleges, I moved to New England for awhile, and we lost touch. But I always remembered her as one of my favorite friends "way back then." You her sons, and all her grandchildren have my very deepest sympathy. Peggy McClain Frailey, (living at Brethren Village in Lititz now)

Peggy Frailey - November 06, 2025 at 11:55 AM

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I am so sorry to learn that Sandy has passed. We taught across the hall from each other for years at EPES. She was my "school mom" and always there to hear my concerns, complaints, and joys. We solved a lot of the world's problems, or at least the ones most close to us.

I spent a little time with her last year right before Christmas, and although she would not be able to recall that I was there, it was a meaningful time for me.

Tim Mateer

Tim Mateer - November 08, 2025 at 09:56 AM