



Wanda J. Urban

February 9, 2025

Wanda J. Urban, 73, of Lancaster, PA, passed away on Sunday, February 9, 2025. Born in Lancaster, PA, she was the daughter of the late Ruth Fowler Murray and Clyde Murray.

She graduated from J.P. McCaskey High School class of 1969 and worked many years in the service industry in Lancaster.

Wanda is survived by her life partner, Kenneth L. Benedict; her four children, Gary L. Urban, Jr. (Coleen), Shannon Liebl (Joseph), Danielle Martin (Albert), Tracy Musser (Troy); her nine grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren; and "One on the way".

She was preceded in death by her brother, Bruce L. Murray, Sr.; and her sister, Sally A. Habel.

A Funeral Service will be held at The Groffs Family Funeral Home, 528 W. Orange Street, Lancaster, PA 17603 on Monday, February 17, 2025 at 11:00 a.m. Friends are welcome to greet the family starting at 10:00 a.m. Interment will be private.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to Hospice & Community Care, 685 Good Drive, P.O. Box 4125, Lancaster, PA 17604-4125.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 17. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ Wanda you will always be remebered as a kind ,funny and beautiful person.
You gave me confidence I never knew I had when I needed it the most .
Thank You.
Love you always
George Grove

George G - February 16, 2025 at 04:23 PM

DE

“ I'm so sorry for your loss. I know Wanda was so devoted to all of you. Wanda was always smiling and welcoming. So sad to see she has left us. Sending hugs.

Debbie - February 12, 2025 at 10:17 AM

GU

My name is Gary and I'm Wanda's oldest. Thank you for the kind words about our mom.

Gary Urban - February 13, 2025 at 08:42 PM

BR

“ Dear Urban Family (kids): Please accept my sincere condolences on the passing of your beloved mom.I may have spoken to her once or twice diring your time at RJHS. She did a wonderful job being your mom. To make you smile or laugh, Gary and I were seat mates on the 7th grade trip to Washington. Greeting Evan when he entered the MTMS was surreal. May your memories of your mom bruing you joy and blessings.

bob Ruder - February 12, 2025 at 08:15 AM

GU

Hello Mr. Ruder,

Thank you for the kind words about our Mom. She was a huge influence to my sisters and I. Our mom has taught us work ethic, respect, caring, giving, and many more things.

WOW!! You were a huge inspiration to me as my Principal at Reynolds junior high School. You never gave up on any of the children in your school!! Thank you very much.

Gary Urban - February 13, 2025 at 08:50 PM



“ *Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Wanda J. Urban.*



February 12, 2025 at 07:53 AM

TM

“ This is Wanda’s daughter, Tracy. I received a message from Jenny Burkholder (message below) on Facebook messenger and wanted to share it on here!

I apologize greatly that I am reaching out to you during this moment in time, but I wanted to say, your mom was a huge influence within my life.

Unfortunately, I will not be able to attend her services due to my grandma passing; the day before your mom’s passing. I’ll be in NY for services.

But as I said, I wanted to be there.

I met your mother in 2010 at LGH. Her and I were employed together at the hospital’s cafeteria. She was a mother but, mostly, a friend to me. She had a heart of youth. She always made me and anyone else, around her laugh. She was, a true ‘Momma Bear’ to everyone. But once you did her wrong once, HELL NO!!!

In fact, I remember her saying after someone ‘did her wrong’, ‘cross me once, shame on me. Cross me twice, shame on you!’

I left LGH cafeteria employee in 2012. Wanda and I kept in touch from time to time via social media and have met up a couple of times but it had turned lesser and lesser with time due to me. I was having a family of my own.

But Wanda, damn. She has and will always be an inspiration to me. Her spunk, her knowledge, her love; everything about her.

I apologize I won’t be able to attend her services. I really want to.

She’s in spirit through us all that she touched. She is riding off in her convertible mustang. Rooftop down, smiling in the wind!

My condolences to you and the family! ❤️ May you all heal peacefully and know, she is within you all deeper than another human being. She loved you all very much!

Tracy Musser - February 11, 2025 at 10:24 PM