



Florence E. Basehore

December 22, 1928 - April 26, 2026

Florence E. Basehore, 97, of Lebanon, PA passed away on Sunday, April 26th, 2026, at the Lebanon Valley Home in Annville. She was preceded in death by her loving husband, Rev. Harold E. Basehore.

Born in Hershey, PA on December 22nd, 1928, she was the daughter of the late Frederick and Frances (Smith) Deimler. Florence was a member of Jonestown Bible Church, where she participated in the Quilting Group. Surviving are two children, Gary Basehore, husband of Rita of Lebanon, Lynette Doster, wife of Lynn of Lebanon, a daughter-in-law, Carol Cortright of Lebanon, five grandchildren, Dawn Eshenour, wife of Bryan, Michael Basehore, husband of Jamie, Shane Felty, husband of Nicole, Chad Felty, husband of Carolyn, Stephen Doster, husband of Alyssa, eleven great grandchildren, five great great grandchildren, and numerous nieces and nephews. In addition to her husband, Florence was preceded in death by her eleven siblings, and her son, Lt. Harold E. Basehore, Jr. who was killed in Vietnam.

Florence enjoyed serving along-side her husband in the ministry at various Methodist Churches. They began their ministry in a small church in Bobo, Indiana. Moving back to Pennsylvania they accepted charges in Morgantown and Churchtown where they spent 9 years. In 1961 they moved to Cornwall Methodist Church where they served for the next 30 plus years. Upon retirement they were asked to serve at St. Johns UMC in Lebanon where they finished their ministry. During this time Florence wore many different hats

serving the church. Choir director, pianist, organist, Nursery mother, Bible School Teacher, Sunday School Teacher, and director of the many children's plays and programs. She was also the "landscaper" for the church grounds and parsonage attending to the flowerbeds.

"Flossie" was an avid gardener. They raised any and all fruits and vegetables on land belonging to one of their dear friends and parishioners'. She did canning and freezing of the crops. The garden was so large they shared with church members and neighbors. Her canned goods were always used to decorate the church for the Harvest Home Service. She had started a handwritten journal on gardening, canning and freezing for her daughter. Many people in the church also wanted a copy. Eventually it was typed and printed. As more and more friends requested the book, her nephew, who worked at a local printer, ended up publishing it for her in three additional publications.

She had many talents. Her musical abilities included playing the organ, piano, accordion and the steel guitar. Some of her nephews also played instruments and they enjoyed impromptu "jam sessions". She also did tatting and knitting. She learned chair weaving, caning and rushing. She taught classes on all of these at the Hershey Museum and Boscov's spring classes. She was asked to demonstrate these crafts at various community fairs and exhibits.

She participated in quilting at the Jonestown Bible Church where she was a member. She made sure all of her children and grandchildren received a homemade quilt from her, hand sewn with love.

One of her fondest memories was teaching school at the Maxwell Hill, one room, "Little Red Schoolhouse". The Amish Community was without a teacher and they visited her and asked if she would become their teacher until they found a replacement. She did this for a year. Many of her former students kept in touch with her through her life.

Of all her talents and life experiences, she would tell you her best life was her children and grandchildren and great grandchildren. She was a devoted Mother and Grammy.

A public visitation will be held from 10:00AM-11:00AM on Tuesday, May 5th, 2026, at Kreamer Funeral Home and Crematory, Inc., 618 E. Main St. Annville, PA 17003. Funeral Services will begin at 11:00AM on Tuesday at the Funeral Home. Interment will follow in Indiantown Gap National Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to VisionCorps, 244 N. Queen St. Suite 301 Lancaster, PA 17603, or to the Lebanon Valley Home, 550 E. Main St. Annville, PA 17003, in her memory. Kreamer Funeral Home, Annville is handling arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Indiantown Gap National Cemetery

Indiantown Gap Road
Anville, PA 17003

Previous Events

Public Visitation

MAY 5. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Kreamer Funeral Home & Crematory, Inc
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Funeral Service

MAY 5. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Florence E. Basehore.*



May 04 at 11:41 AM



“ *Doctrine & Elvin Felty purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Florence E. Basehore.*



Doctrine & Elvin Felty - May 01 at 05:51 PM



“ *She was an amazing woman and beautiful friend. I have 8 of her beautiful chairs in my home now and a songbook gifted to me by Harold. I have some great memories of our visits with them and their visits with us. I know she will be missed.*

Shelby Hardee - April 28 at 06:25 PM



“ *Dear Lynette and family,
May our dear church mother rest in eternal peace safe in the arms of our Lord and Savior along with her loved ones who went before her. As you wish, we will make a Memorial contribution to one that is listed.
Sincerely with much love , Willie , Linda Erb and families*

Linda Erb - April 28 at 03:52 PM

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“ I loved my Aunt Flossie a whole lot. She was so kind and ambitious. We,my family use to visit alot when we were younger because my Grandma Baseshore use to go down to stay with them because of moms brother who was Flossies husband.I was told one time she named me. After getting older we would visit occasionally.When Uncle Harold passed we would go and take her to eat and that continued until she was not able to go out anymore.We would visit her and the stories she could tell were awesome.

You are going to be missed so much. You are finally pain free so you and Harold, Mom and Dad and all of those who went before will meet you at the pearly gates..

Till I see you again. Love Sharon

sharon hoffer - April 28 at 03:45 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Florence E. Basehore.

April 28 at 01:51 PM

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“ Aunt Flossie was always so nice and sweet. It's no wonder that she was loved by everyone.



Sue & Denny Peterson - April 28 at 01:42 PM