



Marian K. Huffman

October 13, 1935 - February 21, 2022

Marian Sara Kreider Huffman, 86, formerly of Jonestown, died Feb. 21, 2022, at Celebration Villa (formerly Elmcroft), Lebanon, PA. She was born October 13, 1935, at the family home on N. 8th Ave., Lebanon to the late Henry A. and Sara E. (Miller) Kreider. Three brothers completed the family: twins Ray (wife Barbara) of Lebanon, and Roy (deceased), sister-in-law Carol, and Earl (wife Nancy) of Fayetteville.

After living in Womelsdorf, later in Hamlin, Marian graduated from Fredericksburg High School in 1953 with close-knit classmates. In June 1956 she married one of them, Robert Huffman, who died in 2009 after 53 years of marriage.

After high school Marian worked at a shirt factory in Lebanon until becoming a mother and full-time homemaker. She enjoyed sewing; her efforts garnered ribbons at the Lebanon Area Fair and the PA Farm Show in her younger years. She later enjoyed reading, watching TV, making beaded Christmas ornaments, and always visits with her family and many friends.

Marian had a gift for music and played the piano by ear from a young age. She never took formal music lessons. She played for her own enjoyment as well as blessing others during Sunday School at the Fredericksburg EUB church. Her piano playing continued into her 80's. She frequently blessed the other residents and staff at Kindred Place, Annville, where she resided for some years before moving to Elmcroft.

Known by some as "The Bible School Lady," Marian enthusiastically led the

singing every summer for literally hundreds of children spanning two generations in the 1960's, 70's and 80's at Fredericksburg's community Vacation Bible School. This included her daughter and granddaughters. She loved the kids and the singing, and taught Bible School as well. She directed the cherub choir and sang alto for decades in the adult choir. She was a long-time member of Fredericksburg EUB Church (later UM Church) and its King's Daughters. She served in numerous church capacities, including the Junior Department Superintendent. Marian also sang in a women's quartet, "The Happy Four," with her mother, cousin, and family friend at various churches in the area.

Marian is survived by her daughter Jill Reed and husband Mark of Lebanon; also cherished granddaughters Karen Neufeld (husband Dan) and Kristen Hess (husband Erich); and great grandchildren Cassidy Reed, and Colin and Calleigh Barlup; nephew-like-a-son Michael Arnold (wife Pat); and several other nieces and nephews.

There will be a viewing Sunday, March 6, 2022, from 3-5 p.m., and Monday, March 7, 2022, at 10 a.m., followed by a memorial service at 11 a.m., all at Kreamer & Lum Funeral Home, 5 Camp Meeting Rd., Jonestown, PA 17038. Interment will follow at Cedar Hill Cemetery, Fredericksburg.

As a family, we are grateful to those who blessed "Grammy" with loving and compassionate care at Kindred Place, Celebration Villa, and Grane Hospice. We will never forget your kindness.

In keeping with Marian's desire that children know Jesus and His love, memorial donations will be appreciated by any of the following: Child Evangelism Fellowship of Lebanon County, 637 Chestnut St., Lebanon, PA 17042; True Life Youth Ministries, 740 Willow St., Lebanon, PA 17046; or Align Life Ministries, 131 S. 8th St., Lebanon, PA 17042.

Cemetery Details

Cedar Hill Cemetery

Fredericksburg, PA

Previous Events

Public Viewing

MAR 6. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Kreamer & Lum Funeral Home & Crematory
5 Campmeeting Road
Jonestown, PA 17038
(717) 865-5215

Public Viewing

MAR 7. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Funeral Service

MAR 7. 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Kreamer Funeral Home & Crematory, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Marian K. Huffman*



Kreamer Funeral Home & Crematory, Inc. - March 04, 2022 at 04:00 PM

JD

“ *I certainly was one of those children who remembers the wonderful Bible School program that Marian and so many others provided for us in Fredericksburg at the E.U.B. Church. I will always see her up front leading us in song as we gathered for the opening and marched to our classes. What wonderful times those were, and how lucky we were that people like Marian were willing to give so much of themselves and their efforts to us.*

Julie Knapp Ditzler

Julie Ditzler - February 28, 2022 at 05:53 PM

BE

“ *Barbara Erb lit a candle in memory of Marian K. Huffman*



Barbara Erb - February 25, 2022 at 04:14 PM

BE

“Marian was a wonderful friend. A lovely person inside and out. She was a good Christian woman. You could always depend on her to be there for you to talk with if you had any problems, etc. I enjoyed playing duets with her at the Fredericksburg UM Church. I enjoyed her stories and her great personality. We had many good times together making chow-chow, soup and other things for FUMC. I especially liked her piano playing. I could sit for hours and listen to her play. I believe she will get many reward in Heaven for all her work she has done for our Lord.

Barbara Erb - February 25, 2022 at 04:13 PM

JB

“I first met Marian at Kindred Place when my mom was a resident there. What a lovely, friendly lady she was. I always enjoyed our conversations about her interest in music and child evangelism. Her enthusiasm and obvious love for life was infectious! I know she is now at rest in the arms of her Savior!

Jean Bragg - February 25, 2022 at 08:34 AM