



Rev. Eugene L. Shiffer

July 9, 1933 - December 4, 2025

Rev. Eugene L. Shiffer, 92, of Lebanon, passed away on Thursday, December 4, 2025, at WellSpan Good Samaritan Hospital, Lebanon. He was the husband of the late Elisabeth L. (Bergner) Shiffer who passed away on October 6, 2022.

Born in Washington Twp., on July 9, 1933, he was the son of the late Roy & Carrie (Rowe) Shiffer. A native of Millersburg, Pastor Shiffer received his A.B. degree from Muhlenberg College in Allentown and his B.D. degree from Mt. Airy Lutheran Theological Seminary in Philadelphia. He also completed post-graduate work at the Gettysburg Lutheran Theological Seminary. Over the years, he pastored at the Follmer Parish in Potts Grove, the Jonestown Lutheran Parish, Salem Lutheran Church in Reamstown, and Mt. Zion Parish in Lebanon. After retiring from the active ministry, he continued as an interim pastor at several churches, including seventeen years at Christ Lutheran Church in Stouchsburg. Throughout his ministry, he served the church as conference secretary, member of the Home Missions, the Commission of the Ministry, Continuing Education Committee and the Parish Development Committee, all within the former Central PA Synod of the Lutheran Church in America. He also served as president of the Lutheran Pastoral Association of North Lancaster District and Secretary of the North Lancaster District. Pastor Shiffer was always involved in the communities where he served, as a hospital chaplain, an active member of the local Lions Club, or with various pastoral groups. He lived his life in service for others.

In his spare time, he enjoyed antiquing, camping, reading, and tending to his yard. He was known for his impeccably kept cars, and took pride in his 1974 classic Cadillac. Above all, he cherished times spent with his family.

He is survived by his sons Stephen E. and his wife Faith Shiffer of Stevens and Peter E. Shiffer of Ephrata; his daughter Christa E. Shiffer of Wyomissing; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his brother Larry D. Shiffer.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, December 13, 2025, at the Zoar Evangelical Lutheran Church, 560 Freeport Rd., Lebanon. There will be a viewing at 9:00 a.m. until the start of the service. Interment will be private at the Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church Cemetery in Rife.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Zoar Lutheran Church, St. John's Lutheran Church or to Christ Lutheran Church, 27 Long's Church Lane, Womelsdorf, PA 19567.

Kreamer & Lum Funeral Home & Crematory, Jonestown, is honored to serve the family

Cemetery Details

Zion Lutheran Cemetery

Rife, PA

Previous Events

Public Viewing

DEC 13. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Zoar Evangelical Lutheran Church
560 Freeport Rd.
Lebanon, PA

Funeral Service

DEC 13. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

RG

“ When my family were members at Sattazahn's, my little brother and I were old enough to sign by ourselves in the second pew, on the pulpit side of the church. I remember your dad towering over us in the pulpit and my mom across the way in the choir, occasionally giving us the 'hairy eyeballs' if we got too restless. Between them, we were sufficiently encouraged sit still! How blessed I was to meet him again 60 years later, still faithfully serving our Heavenly Father. What a legacy!

Ruth Goebel - January 31 at 09:00 AM

JD

“ God bless you and sustain you at this difficult time. I was so sorry to have missed your dad's memorial, as he meant so much to me and our family. When my mom, Arlene Deck. Was living with us in Hershey, your Dad would visit us. We would reminisce about my dad's (Ray) service to the St John's church, and his wine making for communion. Your dad said that he and your mom would have a glass of wine at night. So I gave him a bottle of my dad's homemade foxgrape wine. He was so thrilled. After mom passed, I would only see your dad at funerals, and he always remembered me and had a kind word. I will miss him. Your grief will lessen, but you will never stop missing him.

Janie Deck - December 16, 2025 at 05:42 PM

KK

“ It was always such a joy to see Pastor Shiffer when we were back home in PA for a visit. He was always so warm and welcoming. Even after he finally retired, it was so nice to see him attend Sunday services as part of our church family. He will be missed. Crista and family we remain in our thoughts and prayers! Kelly and Patrick Kosmela

Kelly Kosmela - December 12, 2025 at 06:39 PM

MM

“ My deepest condolences to you and your family along with my prayers for God's strength and comfort during this difficult time. I have always been honored that Pastor Shiffer, even though not having seen me for years past, always remembered me when we met.
I can almost hear Christ/God saying "well done my good and faithful servant". Again, may Gods love continue to sustain you. Miriam Moore

Miriam Moore - December 07, 2025 at 04:03 PM

CS

Thanks so much. Our dad took an active interest in the people he met along life's journey, and was great at remembering the person and his/her family.

Christa Shiffer - December 09, 2025 at 11:45 AM

JS

“ He was a friend to all!

Jan and Dale Snyder, Millersburg, Pa.

Jan and Dale Snyder - December 07, 2025 at 02:12 PM

CS

Thank you for your kind words.

Christa Shiffer - December 09, 2025 at 11:43 AM

SW

“ *We always enjoyed working on your dad's vehicles as you said they were always spotless and clean, and he was a joy to talk to every time he came in. Stuart Wagner and C J Wagner Inc crew*

stuart wagner - December 07, 2025 at 08:54 AM

CS

Thanks so much, Stuart. He always filled us in on the latest happenings at Wagner's Garage. Thank you for always making my dad feel welcome.

Christa Shiffer - December 09, 2025 at 11:43 AM