



Beth Harf

Beth Harf, 65, of Ephrata, entered into rest at Penn State Hershey Medical Center on Thursday, June 5, 2008.

Born in Beaver, PA, she was a daughter of the late Edward and Margaret Jean (Sorg) Isles. She was the wife of Dr. Jack R. Harf, former Superintendent of Governor Mifflin School District. They would have been married 44 years on June 20th.

Besides her husband, she is survived by two children, Heather J., wife of Rodney Snyder of Ephrata, and, Jay R., husband of Rachel Harf of Allentown, and five grandchildren, Halle and Griffin Snyder, and Zeke, Danica and Nina Harf, whom she dearly loved. She was anxiously awaiting the arrival of her 7th grandchild to be born in July.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her granddaughter Grace Snyder in 2001.

A 1964 graduate of Indiana University of PA, Mrs. Harf began her teaching career in Greenwich, CT, where she taught for 5 years. She later resumed teaching and ended her teaching career in the Reading School District, a veteran of 15 years as a music teacher at The 12th and Marion Elementary School, Reading.

Although Beth could have had a professional singing career, her greatest joy was raising her children and spending time with her grandchildren. A gifted singer, Beth enjoyed her choral work, piano playing, knitting, reading, arranging flowers and loving her little dog Samson. She also deeply loved her many friends who were so supportive in her battle with cancer.

A joyous spirit and generous nature were part of her personality. She will be dearly missed by all who knew her.

A viewing will be held at Stradling Funeral Home, 201 Church Ave., Ephrata, from 6 to 8 PM, Tuesday, June 10th, and also from 9:30 to 10:00 AM on Wednesday, June 11, at the First United Methodist Church, 68 N. Church Street, Ephrata, with funeral services being held at 10:00 AM. Rev. Walter S. Carter will be officiating. Interment for immediate family will be held on Thursday morning.

Memorial contributions in Beth's memory may be sent to the American Cancer Society-Lanc. Co. Unit, 314 Good Drive, Lancaster, PA 17603. Arrangements by Stradling Funeral Homes, Akron/Ephrata. For additional information, directions to First United Methodist Church, or to send a condolence to the family, visit [www.stradlingfuneralhome.com](http://www.stradlingfuneralhome.com)