



Ollie M. Cunningham

August 8, 1952 - August 3, 2024

Ollie Mae Cunningham, 71, of Shannondale, passed away peacefully into the arms of our Lord Saturday evening, August 3, 2024 at her home after a short decline following a lengthy illness. She was born August 8, 1952 in Albuquerque, New Mexico to the late Cecil and Kathryn Diehl Irwin. Ollie Mae was a 1970 graduate of Hanover High School in Pennsylvania and attended Clarion State College. While in Clarion, she met her future husband, Charley, and together they traveled the country until they finally settled on the family farm in Shannondale. They were married on August 19, 1978 and began a family, bringing 2 children into the world: Mary Elizabeth and Carl M. Cunningham. Ollie Mae adored her grandchildren, RaeLeigh Nichole and Carly Grace Cunningham. She was a kind, loving, and creative soul with a quiet, wry sense of humor who sought beauty in the natural world. Ollie spent many hours tending to her flower and vegetable gardens, canning and freezing the produce, and caring for various farm animals throughout the years. After raising their children to school age, Ollie became employed at Farmer Smith's Greenhouse & Country Store in Brookville where she spent many years as the resident expert, especially in fulfilling churches' flower orders during the holidays. She also worked at C&A Trees in Clarion and Kemmer's Greenhouse in Shannondale. An active member at Zion Lutheran Church in Shannondale, Ollie shared her faith by teaching Sunday School and VBS classes as well as playing in the bell choir and serving on the church council. Ollie Mae is survived by her devoted husband, Charles M.

Cunningham, her daughter, Mary (Chuck) Morris, and her granddaughters, RaeLeigh and Carly. She is also survived by her brothers, Howard (Susie) Irwin and James (Susan) Irwin, a brother-in-law, Charles Holbrook, a sister-in-law, Marty Cunningham McCleary, and many, many loving family members and wonderful friends. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her son, Carl M. Cunningham, a sister, Jane Irwin Holbrook, and a brother-in-law, Keith McCleary. The Robert V. Burns Funeral Home in Clarion is handling the arrangements. Family and friends will be received from 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Saturday, August 17, 2024 at Zion Lutheran Church in Shannondale, 3117 Pine Run Road, Mayport, PA 16240, where a memorial service will follow at 11 a.m. with Vicar Jane Miller, presiding. Inurnment will take place in the Clarion Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made in Ollie's honor to Zion Lutheran Church in Shannondale.

Cemetery Details

Clarion Cemetery

Clarion, PA

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 17. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Zion Lutheran Church
3117 Pine Run Road
Mayport, PA 16240

Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall



“ Robert V Burns Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Ollie M. Cunningham



Robert V Burns Funeral Home - August 14, 2024 at 06:52 PM

RH

RIP dear Ollie, you touched all our hearts with your beautiful spirit, kindness and will always hold our memories of great adventures in my



Renee Bashline Hedge - August 17, 2024 at 11:44 AM

PW

“ I remember my then husband Chuck and I would go and visit Ollie and Charlie at their farm house! Ollie was such a kind spirit, always working to make a nice home for her family! Rest in Peace Ollie!

Penny Wilson - March 01, 2025 at 01:36 PM

PM

“ Patricia McCall lit a candle in memory of Ollie Cunningham



Patricia McCall - August 17, 2024 at 12:04 AM



“ 1 file added to the album *Life Tributes*



Robert V Burns Funeral Home - August 14, 2024 at 02:48 PM



“ 170 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Robert V Burns Funeral Home - August 12, 2024 at 03:38 PM

NS

Lovely. We are so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Nancy and Ed

Nancy Suchacek - August 16, 2024 at 09:32 PM

NW

“ *Dear Charlie and Family, You have our sincere condolences on the passing of Ollie. Dewey and Nancy Wilson*

Nancy Wilson - August 10, 2024 at 09:49 AM

LM

“ Love, Dennis & Patricia McCall purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Ollie M. Cunningham.



Love, Dennis & Patricia McCall - August 08, 2024 at 09:45 AM

DN

“ My sincere condolences Charley, we all lost a great person...xo

David Nicolas - August 07, 2024 at 06:41 PM

TS

“ Charlie and Mary, please accept Bobbi and my deepest sympathy in Ollie's passing... We always loved seeing Ollie at outings, she was so kind and loving in her soft and caring ways... Keeping your family in our thoughts and prayers, Tim and Bobbi Smith

Tim & Bobbi Smith - August 07, 2024 at 03:06 PM

MB

“ Charlie, you have my sincere condolences.

Michael Butler - August 06, 2024 at 05:36 PM

JC

“ Dear Charlie, I was shocked and saddened to hear of the death of your lovely Ollie. I will keep you in my thoughts and prayers as you struggle through this most difficult time.

RIP dear Ollie.

Janie Bevevino Campbell

Janie Campbell - August 06, 2024 at 05:01 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Ollie M. Cunningham.*



August 06, 2024 at 09:49 AM



“ *Robert Williams and Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ollie M. Cunningham.*

Robert Williams and Family - August 06, 2024 at 09:49 AM



“ *RIP dear Ollie. So many memories from so long ago, sometimes I feel like I could write a book on our travels and crazy times. I'll never forget your sweet smile, gentle way, your hard working dedication to your gardens, planting tomatoes, rebuilding that barn one summer. Your creativity, always making Charlie's white shirts and the beautiful embroidery, your canning, and never thinking twice about butchering up a deer on your kitchen table. God has gained a beautiful angel having you home with him, I was very privileged to call you my friend 🙏🏻🙏🏻*

renee hedge - August 05, 2024 at 07:07 PM



Ollie was a very pretty and hard working Woman. Rest In Peace Ollie.
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Sandy Clarke - August 06, 2024 at 07:48 PM

EB

“ *Earl, Erin, and Grace Barlett purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Ollie M. Cunningham.*



Earl, Erin, and Grace Barlett - August 05, 2024 at 05:54 PM