



## Carolyn M. Witmer

June 11, 1928 - December 21, 2019

Carolyn M. Witmer of Gratz entered God's kingdom on Saturday, December 21st. She passed peacefully at her residence, surrounded by those she loved and loved her unconditionally.

Born June 11th, 1928, she graduated from Pottsville School of Nursing in 1949. In 1950 she began her school nursing career at Millersburg School District where she retired after 43 years. She will forever be remembered for the countless students she cared for; her imprint will always be present. Carolyn enjoyed baking sugar cookies and sharing them with friends and family. She also enjoyed watching Wheel of Fortune, Jeopardy and doing crossword puzzles. She was a member of the Simeon Lutheran Church and Red Hats.

Carolyn is preceded in death by her husband, Elwood R. Witmer, whom she was happily married for 57 years. She was also preceded by two sisters and two brothers. She will be greatly missed by her caregiver, dear friend, and earthly-angel, Bernice Koppenhaver and family, as well as her adopted grandchildren, Denny, Lisa, Drake, and Lea Lenker - her greatest joys. She also leaves behind many dear friends.

Funeral services will be private at the convenience of the family. In lieu of flowers contributions can be made to Simeon United Lutheran Church, 173 N

Center St, Gratz, PA 17030 or to Hospice of Central PA, 1320 Lingelstown Rd,  
Harrisburg, PA 17110.

# Cemetery Details

## **Gratz Union Cemetery**

173 N Center St  
Gratz, PA 17030

# Tribute Wall

PB

“ *She was such a caring person. She was my school nurse until I graduated from high school. She would even drive you home, (with parental permission) if you were sick. She was loved by many.*

Penny Bordner - February 07, 2020 at 10:00 AM

DW

“ *She was genuine. Always made you feel special. What a wonderful life!*

Deb Wire - December 24, 2019 at 11:01 PM

Jeanne Eyster

“ *Jeanne Eyster lit a candle in memory of Carolyn M. Witmer*



Jeanne Eyster - December 24, 2019 at 10:49 PM

CS

“ *She lived in Gratz, and after she retired I'd go visit her when my mom was working in town. She always had the fluffiest sugar cookies to share. Her husband was also very generous with his woodworking crafts to help a lonely little girl feel very special indeed. Heaven did indeed gain an angel with Ms Witmer.*



Cassie Sedlmeier - December 24, 2019 at 09:53 PM

CR

*“ I had her as a school nurse. She was very helpful to me when my daughter had open heart surgery. She watched over her at school. May God Bless her soul and watch over her loved ones.*

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**Carol Reisch** - December 24, 2019 at 09:47 AM

MS

*“ Marlene Simpson lit a candle in memory of Carolyn M. Witmer*



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**Marlene Simpson** - December 24, 2019 at 08:00 AM

ES

*“ It was amazing how she was always so calm and patient when dealing with so many students. She was a wonderful person and a wonderful nurse*

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**Elaine Shuey** - December 24, 2019 at 06:53 AM

SW

*“ Mrs. Witmer was pure class. She was such a kind and gentle lady who showed compassion and caring to all. 43 years of touching lives of school children, thousands of lives she had an influence on. A beautiful life. A beautiful lady. Rest In Peace Mrs. Witmer.*

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**Stephanie Wetzel** - December 24, 2019 at 04:32 AM

TS

“ Tina Fulkroad Strohecker lit a candle in memory of Carolyn M. Witmer



Tina Fulkroad Strohecker - December 24, 2019 at 12:56 AM

TS

Mrs. Witmer was one of the most caring, sweet, compassionate people I ever knew. I can attest to the fact she cared deeply and genuinely about the students , because I was one who she helped. I will always fondly remember her walk. You always knew it was Mrs Witmer coming by the sound of her shoes and how fast she was walking. She was loved by so many and I'm sure we all will think of her fondly. Thank you Mrs. Witmer for all you did for so many students. Rest in a peace sweet lady. ❤️

Tina Fulkroad Strohecker - December 24, 2019 at 01:02 AM

WB

“ she was one of the sweetest school nurse that millersburg are high school ever had . she was always had a smile on her face and always said hi to you when she seen youasked how you were doing.



wanda I brooks - December 23, 2019 at 10:11 PM

DH

“ *She truly was an angel among us. Genuine, kind caring, understanding never judgmental always putting others before herself. Such a positive person and always was such an encouragement to everyone. such a strong passion to her career and all of us her students. We all were so blessed and have had her i our lives. A life well lived to the fullest and now she enjoys an eternity well deserved. Not because of her works but because of her faith. Thank you Mrs. Witmer, I have a life that was changed because of your influence. Until we meet again!!  
A grateful student of many years ago, Dale Hoy*



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**Dale Hoy** - December 23, 2019 at 10:54 AM

DB

“ *Carolyn was a humble and giving soul. She was my nurse when I was a student and later a coworker when I was hired at Millersburg.. You couldn't help but be drawn to her. And those sugar cookies were indeed amazing. She was truly a blessing.*

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**Debb Bowman** - December 22, 2019 at 09:22 PM

JH

“ *Mrs. Witmer was a gentle, kind and caring lady. She loved all the students and never forgot them as the years passed. She will be missed by many. What a wonderful legacy she left behind. Rest in Peace.*

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**Judy Harris** - December 22, 2019 at 05:03 PM

CD

“ Thank you for your kindness and caring for all the students at Millersburg School District. Your legacy lives on. ❤️



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**Carol Jeff Daniels** - December 22, 2019 at 03:02 PM

 Tammy Meckley

“ She touched so many lives, and did so much for many in need. May light perpetual shine upon her.

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**Tammy Meckley** - December 22, 2019 at 11:48 AM

DM

“ She was the school nurse through generations. Always kind and caring. I have a small manger scene delicately cut from wood that her husband made and gave me when doing drapes for her many years ago. I think of her every time I see it on the top of one of my trees. RIP dear lady.

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**Dharla Maiden** - December 22, 2019 at 09:19 AM

PE

“ She was my school nurse when I started kindergarten in 60 or 61. She was at millersburg when my mom was in school there in the early to mid 50's. She was the sweetest, most caring person. She never forgot a single student. Rest well dear lady.

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**Pamela Erdman-Graff** - December 21, 2019 at 09:17 PM

LW

“ A legacy of caring for many Millersburg Students. A kind , classy , caring wonderful lady. She lived a good long life and is now at Peace.

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**Laura Wilkinson** - December 21, 2019 at 09:05 PM

SS

“ Mrs. Witmer was my school nurse in the 1950's and my son's school nurse in the 1980's.  
She was a beautiful lady.  
Sally Stilli

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**sally stilli** - December 21, 2019 at 07:19 PM

JB

“ Mrs. Witmer was the kindest, gentlest person. She cared for her students like they were her own children. She had a huge impact on our tiny school for many, many years, and leaves a legacy of caring.

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**Jill Blasser** - December 21, 2019 at 06:11 PM

AD

“ She was my school nurse for my entire school career. She was one of the kindest and most compassionate person i ever knew.

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**Ann Dietrich** - December 21, 2019 at 05:28 PM