



Eileen Lois Pallace

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Eileen Lois Pallace, age 77 of Lewes, DE, passed away on October 10, 2023, at Delaware Hospice Center, in Milford. She was born on January 19, 1946, in Philadelphia, PA, daughter of the late Daniel and Edith Boyle.

Growing up in Wayne, PA, Eileen was a graduate of Radnor High School, Class of 1963, where she was a 3-sport athlete. She continued her education at the University of Delaware and earned her Bachelor's Degree in 1967. With an insatiable desire for learning, Eileen earned her Master's Degree in English from Washington College in 1979. Thus began her lifelong teaching career.

Eileen began teaching at George Read Middle School in New Castle, DE. She and Jack met during their time as students at the University of Delaware on a blind date and married in January of 1968. The couple moved to Dover, DE, where they welcomed their daughter, Christine later that year. Eileen returned to work in 1974, joining the staff of Caesar Rodney High School. She was named Caesar Rodney District Teacher of the Year for the 1982-1983 school year. Over Eileen's career, she taught English and creative writing, and her love of language and writing was passed on to thousands of students. In many cases, her former students became lifelong friends, and many of her students have gone on to pursue careers in teaching.. She retired in 2005.

Eileen loved spending time at the beach. Childhood summers in Ocean City, NJ, vacations in Bethany Beach, and day trips to the Delaware Seashore to hunt for shells and ride waves with Christine, as well as many summers in the Outer Banks were all fond memories.

Eileen and Jack moved to Lewes following her retirement. Never one to be idle, she was involved in many groups and stayed active. Eileen was a long-time volunteer at Beebe Hospital, she had a large group of friends who enjoyed regular card and mah jongg games, and she enjoyed birthday celebrations with her dearest friends the "birthday girls". Eileen also enjoyed her bible study group at Lewes Presbyterian Church. She was a Road Scholar and avid traveler, Williamsburg being one of her favorite destinations.



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Eileen made a priority of spending time with her adored grandchildren, entertaining them and of course educating them, passing on her love of knowledge. Her love of baking was passed on to her granddaughter, Anna, and her love of reading, writing and intellectual curiosity was passed onto both Ben and Anna. Eileen was a loving and devoted wife, mother, grandmother, sister, and friend. Loved by many, she will be forever missed.

Eileen is survived by her beloved husband of 55 years, Jack Pallace; her daughter, Christine Schiltz (Todd); her grandchildren: Benjamin and Anna; her sister, Patricia Wallace (Daniel Peck); her brother-in-law, Robert Pallace; her sister-in-law, Dorothy Pallace; and her many nieces, nephews, and valued friends.

The family would like to extend their heartfelt gratitude to Dr. Amy Robinson, the team of caregivers at Fox Chase Cancer Center, including Dr. Thomas Galloway and Dr. Teresa Lee, as well as the staff of Delaware Hospice.

A memorial service will be held on Wednesday, November 1, 2023, at 11:00 AM, at Lewes Presbyterian Church, 133 Kings Highway, Lewes, DE, where friends may visit beginning at 10:00 AM. Entombment will follow the service at Lewes Presbyterian Church Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial donations to Habitat for Humanity, PO Box 759, Georgetown, DE, 19947, or www.sussexcountyhabitat.org/donate.

Please sign the virtual guestbook located on the tribute page.

FLORIST NOTE: PLEASE DELIVER ALL ARRANGEMENTS BY 3PM, TUESDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2023, TO OUR LEWES LOCATION.




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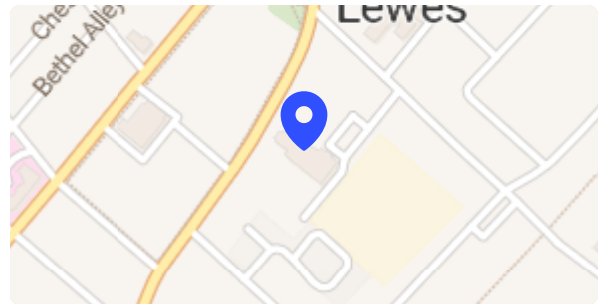
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Visitation

 **Wednesday**, November 1, 2023


 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM ET


 **Lewes Presbyterian Church**
133 Kings Highway, Lewes DE

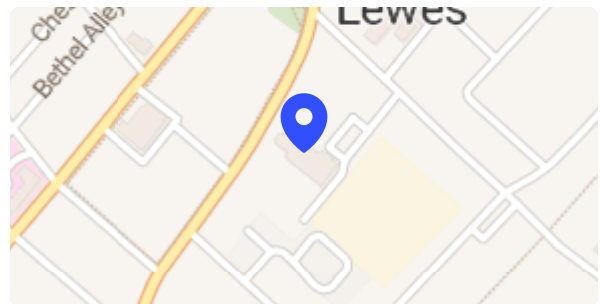


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Entombment

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KM

Kati Sandlin Murphy posted:

Mrs. Pallace was a treasure. The entire Sandlin family had the great pleasure of being either a student or colleague of Mrs. Pallace at Caesar Rodney High School. She was certainly one of my most favorite teachers and I will always think of her fondly. We are all so very sorry for your loss and are thinking of you at this difficult time. -Kati Sandlin Murphy

November 6 at 5:08 PM

PA

Pat lit a candle in honor of Eileen.

Dear Jack, We are so sorry for your loss. Eileen was a beautiful person and we had such fun times playing cards years ago. Our children had her for English at Caesar Rodney and liked her very much. Our prayers are with all of your family. Pat, Dick, and family.



November 3 at 2:41 PM

RK

Rita And Larry Klepner posted:

Eileen was a friend and neighbor. We always enjoyed meeting her for lunches or dinners & returning to her house for her delicious desserts. I still have some of her recipes. She was a wonderful teacher to both of our children. Our son loved riding to school with her & being her "classroom helper." Our sincere condolences to Jack & Christine. Rita & Larry Klepner

October 30 at 9:28 AM

LL

Lance L. planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Eileen.



October 29 at 12:18 PM

DM

Donna Matthews posted:

I had the honor of being one of Eileen's colleagues in CR's English department early on in my career. She was a great role model, both as a teacher and a human being. My thoughts and prayers go out to Jack, Christine and all Eileen's family and friends as they mourn her passing but also celebrate a life lived so very well.

October 25 at 10:23 AM



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RP

Robyn Klepner Poore posted:

Mrs. Pallace was a treasured teacher and neighbor to me growing up. She was as kind as she was funny and smart. Growing up, it was always a treat when her daughter, Christine, would come over to baby sit. She and Jack were always great friends to my parents and would often meet for lunch or dinner. It was always such a comfort having Mrs. Pallace only a few doors down from my house as well as in my high school. You could always count on her to have a listening ear and some sound advice. I have several very special memories of her that will be with me always. She will be missed by so many people because to know her was to love and appreciate her. My thoughts are with Jack, Christine, and their entire family as they mourn the the loss of such an incredible person.

October 24 at 4:35 AM

LD

Lindsay Deckard posted:

Mrs. Pallace will always be my favorite teacher. After having Freshman English with her, I knew I needed to stay in her classroom. I spent three years there with creative writing and as her teacher's aide, as well. She gave me confidence in my speech and writing that I know I wouldn't have found on my own. She gave a young lady her voice. I will always be grateful to her. My condolences to her family and friends. - Lindsay Deckard CRHS '01 My father, Dan Deckard, also a teacher at CR sends his condolences as well. We found many a reason to go to 3rd wing 2nd floor. I'd say hi to Mrs. Pallace. He'd be next door at Mr. Mallory's room. Wonderful teachers and memories.

October 23 at 11:47 AM

TK

Trish Bensinger Kocher posted:

Remembering Eileen as a teacher and babysitting for Christine ... and wishing I had known she was nearby in Lewes these past years. Sending love to the family. Trish Bensinger Kocher

October 23 at 4:40 AM



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JC

Jtmiller@Aol.Com posted:

Christine, It was a shock to read the post of your Mom's passing. The Caesar Rodney High School was blessed to have such a loving English teacher who made such positive experiences for her students. She certainly made a difference in our 2 children's lives. Christine, it makes me so sad that I did not know about her fight against cancer. It is comforting to know that Ken and your mom will spend some heavenly days together along with many others whom she helped at CRHS along the way. At those parent nights, I remembered how welcoming she was to everyone who attended! Most of all she will be seriously missed by your family and hundreds of friends and colleagues. My heart will be with you in the coming days and I hope you find closure at adjusting without her and being there for your Dad. You have always been a favorite of mine within Ken's Best Friends. I live in Malvern, Pa with my second husband. Would love to hear from you sometime. Praying for you at this sad time. Janet Spengler-Miller

October 21 at 5:19 PM

BG

Bernie Gilmore posted:

Family, students, friends, Eileen touched many lives in the most meaningful ways. I was privileged to have known Eileen.

October 20 at 4:18 PM

TP

Terri Proctor posted:

I had Mrs. Pallace for English at CRHS. The best memory is when she was crowned Homecoming Queen by her class!! Christine, you & your family are in my thoughts & prayers. She will be missed by many.

October 19 at 11:51 AM

JC

Jtmiller@Aol.Com posted:

My most sincere sympathies to Christine and family at this very sad time. Your mom was a very special person in the Spengler family's life. She will be remembered by so many as a teacher who truly cared for students apart from what grade they earned in English class. Blessings, from Janet Spengler-Miller.

October 19 at 6:23 AM



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JK

John Kling posted:

I remember Mrs. Pallace from CRHS. She has touched many lives for the better.

October 19 at 5:33 AM

DE

Debra posted:

I remember her as a very friendly person . I had her for 9th grade English and creative writing in 12th grade. She was my favorite teacher. She was a great teacher. She loved a story I had written that was a soap opera. She said it had all types of characters,story lines and cliff hangers. I learned so much from her and she will never be forgotten. Rest in peace .

October 18 at 5:21 PM

TT

Terence Taylor posted:

Mrs. Pallace was one of my favorite teachers at CRHS 78-82. She gave me a love of literature. My thoughts and prayers to her family

October 18 at 4:08 PM

PS

Pam Sorce posted:

A wonderful neighbor and Mah Jongg friend, Eileen baked the most delicious carrot cake which she shared so generously and she could always be counted on for making great book recommendations. She will be missed.

October 17 at 2:58 PM

CM

Chris Mcdonough posted:

Mrs Pallace was my English teacher as well as our Class Advisor when I attended Caesar Rodney High School. She helped ignite a lifelong enjoyment of writing and I have thought about her with fond memories many times throughout the years. She also was very thoughtful to send a card when I lost my father a few years ago and I will always be grateful. God bless and God speed

October 17 at 1:25 PM



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SG

Steve Gerding posted:

I am very sorry to hear of this! She was my ninth grade English teacher back in 1976-77. She helped show me the importance of not only reading literature but being able to write. She would give out 20 words of vocabulary each week and ask that they be used in a sentence. I used to see how many of them I could put in a single sentence and that is one of the fondest memories I have of my freshman year in Caesar Rodney. I shall miss you Ms Pallace and I hope you know how much you helped me grow!

October 17 at 1:17 PM

CR

Chrissie Rigby lit a candle in honor of Eileen.



October 17 at 10:44 AM

KS

Kevin Sellers posted:

She was my 9th grade English teacher. I wrote a book report by reading the 1st and last chapter, to get characters, plot and storyline. I then filled in the rest. I got my paper back with a lengthy note on the side. I received an A-. She then told me that she had read the book, of course, and that she liked my story better. Great teacher and person. RIP

October 17 at 8:42 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Eileen by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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