



Jean M. Oswald

December 7, 2024

Jean Mae (Sell) Oswald, 87, a resident of Rittenhouse Village at Lehigh Valley, passed away peacefully December 7, 2024 in Lehigh Valley Hospital Inpatient Hospice Unit, surrounded by her family. Jean, a former Alburtis resident, was the widow of Allen A. Oswald who passed January 30, 2021. They were married for 63 years.

Born in Emmaus, May 2, 1937, Jean was the daughter of the late Arthur Woodrow Wilson Sell and Mary Young Moser Sell. Jean was a 1955 graduate of Emmaus High School, where she was an mvp of the basketball team, member of the gym team, and a majorette. In early years she worked at the probation office at Lehigh County Courthouse, and then became a homemaker.

Jean was a previous member of Longswamp United Church of Christ, Mertztown. Deeply involved in her community, Jean was involved in the construction of the Alburtis Area Swimming Pool, Den mother for Alburtis Pack 86 Cub Scouts, and Camp Fire Leader for Alburtis Camp Fire Girls. She was a past member of the Alburtis-Lockridge Historical Society for over eighteen years. Jean was a life member of Nimrod Fish & Wildlife Association, Alburtis.

For 22 years, Jean spent half of each year at their summer home in

Susquehanna County, PA, with her husband, Allen. Here they enjoyed, fishing, hunting, gardening, and spending time with their family.

Survivors: There are three children. Sons: Allen II and wife Katie of Friendsville; Matthew and wife Abigail of Alburtis, and daughter: Ellen and her husband Sterling Quier of Yuma, AZ. Jean is survived by sisters Elinor Gollie and Linda Reinbold. Brothers: Arthur, Kenneth, Dale, Ronald, and Dennis. Grandsons: Ryan, Allen III (Valerie), Scott Quier, Kevin (Christine) Quier; granddaughter: Aubree (Andrew) Miller. Great grandchildren: James, Shawn, Delia Quier, Alexis Quier, Olivia Quier. Jean was preceded in death by brother, Carl.

Services will be private at Longswamp Union Cemetery. Schmoyer Funeral Home is handling the arrangements.

In lieu of flowers, contributions in Jean's name can be made to Alburtis Campfire Girls Dad Daughters Association in care of Schmoyer Funeral Home, PO Box 190 Breinigsville, PA 18031

Tribute Wall

JB

“ Our sincere sympathy to the family, Allen and Jean were wonderful people, neighbors and friends. I had the pleasure of visiting Jean while at the Rittenhouse to do her hair, I will miss my visits with her and want you to know how well cared for she was and the wonderful way you took care of her, she will be missed by everyone who knew her.

Sincerely, The Bower Family

Justine Bower - December 15, 2024 at 07:13 AM

DH

“ I will always remember her! When I moved my office here to Alburdis, she and her sister Linda were among the first people to talk with me. They would walk past the front of the building often. I'd go outside and they always had a smile and a kind word. I never knew she was a majorette! And I bet she was an enthusiastic and fun one! Sympathies to the family, she was a gem! I'm so sorry for your loss.

Donna Hosfeld - December 10, 2024 at 03:48 PM

AO

Thank you for your kind words

Abby Oswald - December 10, 2024 at 05:51 PM

DW

“ Jean was my neighbor, loved talking with her and her husband, loved hearing the morning chatter when they sat outside of there home, they were great neighbors and will be missed by many people.

dolores wetzel - December 10, 2024 at 03:02 PM



Thank you for being such a good neighbor

Abby Oswald - December 10, 2024 at 05:52 PM